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rain traffic stopped in Europe

il strike creates havoc parts of Europe Monday

Associated Press

S — Rail workers, fearing ob losses that might come regulation, brought train traf- standstill in parts of Europe day.

nuters were stranded in Belgium and Greece, where -day strike caused havoc dur- morning rush hour. There ajor traffic jams, and sub- ere packed.

ain and Luxembourg, howev- cts were minimal. In Portugal, rkers staged a one-hour stop- st before evening rush hour.

European Union's executive ssion plans to increase dereg- in the freight sector from 5 t to 25 percent in a bid to ompetition and efficiency.

bean Union Transport Com- ner Neil Kinnock warned y of the dangers of resisting

future is plain and very Kinnock said in a statement. ut change there will be no rail ort in much of the Union by

ns are sensitive to streamlin- vare that about 500,000 jobs have been lost in the past 15

ock said that the percentage of freight transport on trains had dropped from 32 percent in 1970 to 14 percent in 1996.

"Without change the job loss will be devastating," Kinnock said.

France's national train company, the SNCF, said about one in three trains was running nationwide Monday. Suburban trains were also disrupted, with just one in four operating on some lines.

"I'm fed up with this. There seem to be strikes every week," said 31-year-old lawyer Stephanie Castela, her face pressed against a window of the Paris Metro during morning rush hour.

"There are some things you have to be able to guarantee, and getting to work is one of them."

In France, only Eurostar trains to London were running normally. Buses replaced the high-speed Thalys trains from Paris to Brussels, Amsterdam and Cologne. Only two out of 20 trains were scheduled to run between London and Brussels.

In Belgium, train traffic also was crippled, transforming the morning rush hour to a slow crawl. Traffic jams up to 25 miles long were reported outside Brussels.

In Greece, there were no trains at all, and workers rallied at the Transport Ministry in Athens.

Although Germany was not directly affected, many long-distance passengers were faced with delays.

AFP photo

A woman cleans the deserted platform of the Caen, France, train station Monday. Rail strikes plunged parts of Europe into chaos as train traffic came to a standstill.

2-month rise: Dow still rises to new levels

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Dow surged to a new high Monday, capping a nearly 2,000-point rebound from the summer's scary slide, as merger fever returned to the stock market.

Extending a nearly nonstop rally that began less than two months ago, the Dow Jones industrial average rose 214.72 points to 9,374.27, topping the July 17 record of 9,337.97.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index also set its first record since July. But most broad-market indexes remained shy of new highs as smaller-company stocks continued to lag behind the blue chips that dominate the Dow and S&P 500.

The rally came as a series of billion-dollar takeovers and negotiations for two blockbusters deals signaled a return to the merger frenzy that energized the market back in the spring and early summer.

Financial shares rose as Germany's Deutsche Bank said it is discussing the final details of $9 billion deal to take over Bankers Trust, and Internet shares led the technology group higher as America Online said it may buy Netscape Communications in a $4 billion deal.

While the sudden spurt of merger activity helped spark Monday's rally, analysts said it was the renewed confidence in the stock market that had hatched Monday's dealings.

"It spells real faith in the long-term strength of the marketplace," said Arthur Hogan, chief market analyst at Jefferies & Co., noting that most of Monday's deals would be paid for with stock rather than cash.

OL in talks with Netscape

Associated Press

NGTON — Capping weeks of secret negotiations, a Online and Netscape were close to announcing a ion marriage that would effectively conclude e's dramatic rise and fall as an Internet software

greement would also cement AOL's position as a perpower in the high-tech world, giving it remark- ach and enough influence to challenge industry icrosoft's dominance in key areas.

would become the world's largest Internet provider, ributor of Netscape's hugely popular browser soft- d the owner of two of the four most popular sites Web.

ape's site alone draws 20 million visitors each The other three most popular sites are operated by Microsoft and Yahoo!.

r the deal, AOL, based just outside Washington in Va., was expected to operate Netscape as a separate n in Mountain View, Calif. But the 4-year-old com- hose software popularized the Internet - and whose ic debut on the stock market was among the most sful ever - would cease to exist as an independent

greement could be announced before financial mar- en today.

cape, which confirmed the negotiations Monday, s shareholders would receive .45 shares of AOL for each of the 99.5 million outstanding shares of pe stock. AOL traded most of Monday in the high making the deal worth between $3.8 billion and $4 although the price briefly peaked at $91.63.

In a side deal under consideration, Sun Microsystems Inc. would take control of Netscape's business-level "server" software and, in return, AOL would buy Sun's powerful workstation computers.

The companies have been negotiating for weeks, and talks continued late Monday. Both AOL and Netscape cautioned that "there can be no assurance that an agreement will be reached or a transaction consummated."

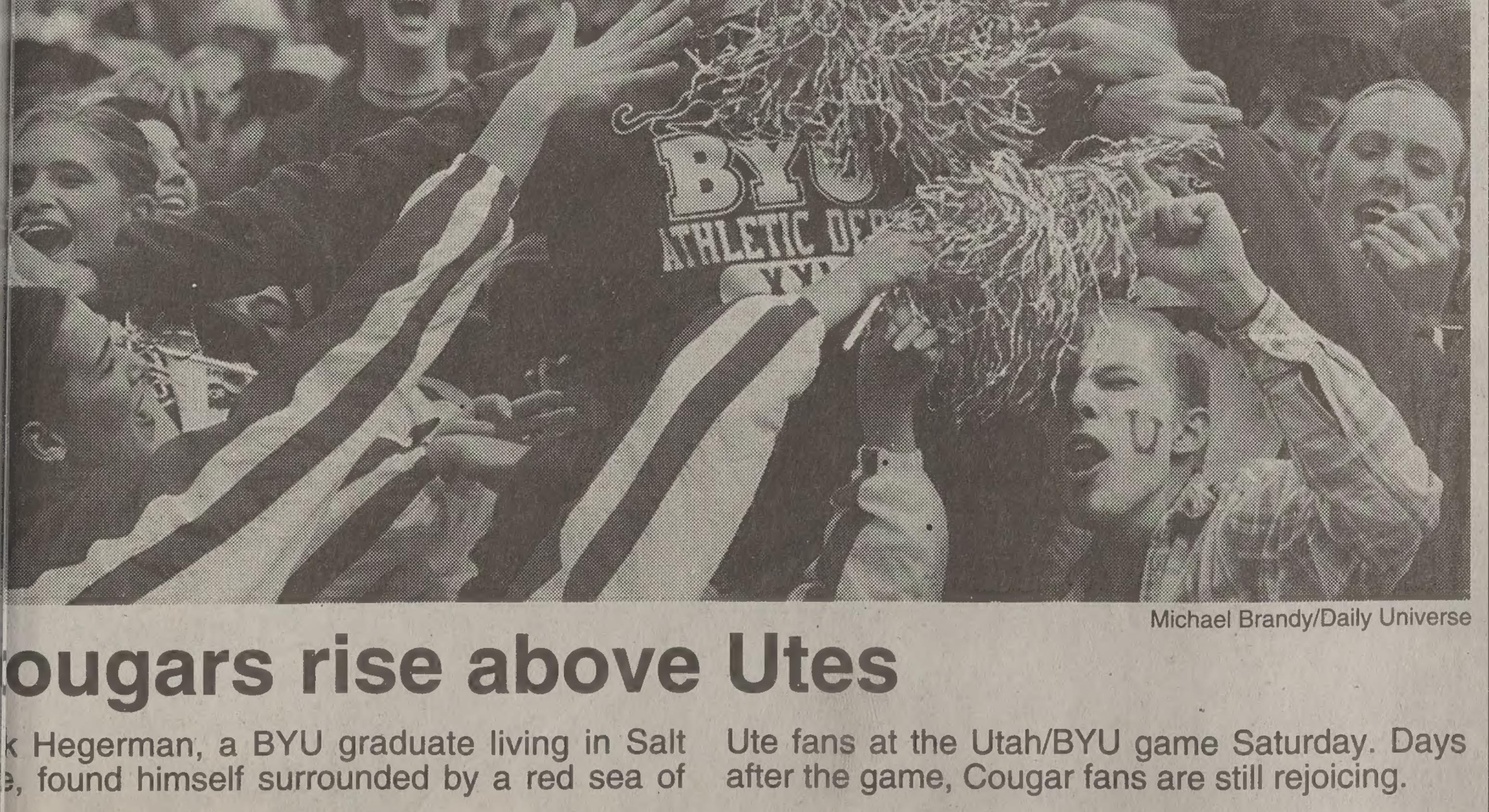
A Washington public-interest group run by Ralph Nader, the Consumer Project on Technology, promised to protest any AOL-Netscape deal. The group's director, Jamie Love, said its opposition in part stems from the market for Internet software - generally split among Netscape and Microsoft - already being too concentrated.

It also objected because many of the nation's hundreds of private Internet providers currently distribute Netscape's browser for licensing fees. Under the deal, those providers would indirectly be funding AOL, among their greatest rivals, by paying it fees for Netscape's software.

The alliance would pose new competition for Microsoft, whose own business tactics against Netscape proved the company's downfall and were so aggressive that the federal government is suing Microsoft for alleged antitrust violations. Microsoft's Internet software competes against Netscape's, and its Microsoft Network online service rivals AOL.

Sun competes against Microsoft in several areas, from rival operating systems to its Java technology that runs programs on many types of computers, not just those using Windows.

All three companies share a general disdain toward Microsoft and all are testifying on behalf of the government at Microsoft's antitrust trial in Washington.



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ougars rise above Utes

k Hegerman, a BYU graduate living in Salt e, found himself surrounded by a red sea of Ute fans at the Utah/BYU game Saturday. Days after the game, Cougar fans are still rejoicing.

Campaign encourages awareness

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Matthew nearly lost his life. He was mere miles from his destination when his car spun off the road.

Just then he woke up, gained control of his car and was able to keep it from rolling.

Matthew had fallen asleep while driving. He knew he was tired, but he's a tough college student so he kept on driving.

Fortunately for Matthew he was not seriously hurt, but for one sleepy moment he, his family and friends were seconds from disaster.

"One-third of the students at BYU reported, since being a student at BYU, that they momentarily dozed off while driving," said Gordon Lindsay, chair of the Health Sciences Department.

Lindsay conducted a study on BYU students falling asleep at the wheel.

"The things that make BYU students at risk most are, between the ages of 18-25, they suffer from sleep deprivation, they have irregular sleeping patterns and travel long distances," he said.

From the one-third that reported momentarily falling asleep, half of those were involved in a minor traffic incident and two-thirds of the one-third kept on driving despite knowing they had momentarily dozed, Lindsay said. And he added that those numbers are probably underreported.

Those numbers line up with national numbers. However, the national numbers include all drivers, not just those of college-age drivers.

"Driver fatigue is the primary cause of at least 100,000 police-reported crashes and more than 1,500 deaths annually," according to the U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, at www.sleepfoundation.org.

Over half of all adult Americans have driven while drowsy and nearly one-third have fallen asleep at the wheel according to a 1995 National Sleep Foundation survey.

All that drowsy driving costs individuals and businesses an estimated $12.5 billion per year, according to the Web site.

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TUITION RATES GO UP!

1998-1999	1999-2000	AMOUNT INCREASE
Semester		
Undergraduate : $1,360	$ 1,415	$ 55
Spring/Summer		
Undergraduate : $ 520	$ 625	$110
Graduate Student		
Semester : $ 1,600	$ 1,665	$65
Spring/Summer		
Graduate Student : $ 830	$ 830	$30
Law School/Marriott		
School of Management : $ 2,560	$ 2,665	$105

Students to expect tuition increase

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Starting Fall Semester 1999, it's going to cost a little bit more to attend BYU, especially in the Spring and Summer terms.

The administration announced Monday that tuition rates will undergo their slight annual raise to accomodate the increasing costs of operating the university.

"Historically, tuition rates are raised almost every year because there are increasing costs involved in operating BYU," Administrative Vice President Brad Farnsworth said.

Undergraduate fall and winter tuition will increase $55, or 4 percent, bringing the total per-semester undergraduate cost to $1,415. Advanced-standing (graduate) student tuition will be increased to $1,665 from $1,600, and tuition at the Law School and Graduate School of Management will cost $2,665, an increase of 4.1 percent.

Undergraduate spring and summer fees will increase from $520 a term to $625. For graduate students, the cost will rise from $800 to $830 dollars.

As always, tuition for students who are not members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will remain one and a half times the rates listed for church members.

The most significant thing about the 1999-2000 tuition hike is that rates for spring and summer terms will undergo a dramatic 20.2 percent increase as part of the administration's ongoing effort to increase summer enrollment.

"We want more students to come in the spring and summer because we think we have some capacity that can be used and isn't," Farnsworth said.

A higher summer enrollment rate also enables some students to finish their degree programs more quickly thus opening spaces for more people to attend BYU.

The 1993 administration under Pres Rex E. Lee determined that the best way to up that summer enrollmen

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News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

N.C. State party cause of one death

RALEIGH, N.C. — Shots fired at a noisy college party led to retaliation by revelers, and the neighbor who apparently fired was killed with his own gun, police said.

North Carolina State University wrestler Clyde Williams Blunt, 20, of Modesto, Calif., was charged with involuntary manslaughter in Sunday's shooting of Neil Vernon Davis Jr., a 21-year-old junior.

Four other athletes at the school plus a former athlete face misdemeanor charges.

The six students who were charged had been attending a party at a house a few doors from Davis' home, less than 2 miles from the university campus.

Investigators aren't sure why Davis apparently fired shots in the direction of the party. A bullet fragment struck one person at the party, Longmire said.

Police said the six students broke into Davis' home and four of them attacked him. A gun was taken away from Davis, who was shot in the stomach when the weapon fired during a struggle, Longmire said.

Iraqi deputy escapes assassination

BAGHDAD, Iraq — President Saddam Hussein's deputy narrowly escaped an assassination attempt by grenade-tossing assailants in a southern Iraqi city, Baghdad television reported Monday.

Several bodyguards who were protecting Izzat Ibrahim, as well as bystanders, were wounded in the attack Sunday in Kerbala, a Shiite Muslim holy city, the TV report said.

Ibrahim serves as a deputy commander of the Iraqi armed forces.

The assailants threw two grenades at Ibrahim as he got out of his car, but he was not wounded, the report said.

The attack came a day before Iraqi opposition groups met in London to find ways to unite their ranks. It was the first reported attempt on a senior Iraqi official since December 1996, when gunmen tried to kill Saddam's eldest son, Odai.

Despite the attack, Ibrahim continued his activities and attended a religious festival held to commemorate the birthday of Hussein, the Prophet Mohammed's grandson and Shiite Muslims' most revered saint, it said.

Russian guards torture soldiers

MOSCOW — Four senior Russian border guards have been sentenced to prison terms of 15 to 23 years for brutal harassment of young conscripts, officials said Monday.

The officers, who served in the Far Eastern region of Chukotka, were convicted of beating and torturing their soldiers, leading to the death of one conscript, border guard officials said, according to the ITAR-Tass news agency. The report did not say when they were sentenced.

The investigation revealed that the officers were regularly beating their men for minor offenses, leaving them without warm clothes in below-zero temperatures, and denying them food, the report said.

Russia's cash-strapped and demoralized armed forces have been plagued by the ritual hazing of young conscripts by older soldiers and officers, contributing to frequent shootings and suicides.

According to official figures, 50 soldiers were killed by fellow servicemen last year, and about 500 committed suicide.

Nation's tallest lighthouse to relocate

BUXTON, N.C. — The black-and-white striped Cape Hatteras Lighthouse has been closed for the next year and a half while it is moved from its hurricane-eroded spot overlooking the Atlantic Ocean to a safer point farther inland.

The 208-foot working lighthouse received its final visitors over the weekend, with 3,000 people climbing its 268 winding steps.

The nation's tallest lighthouse is expected to be in its new spot, 1,600 feet inland, and ready to take visitors again by June 2000.

The land between the lighthouse and the sea has been steadily eroded, raising fears that the landmark will fall into the ocean. The National Park Service decided to move the lighthouse at a cost of $9.8 million despite warnings from some that relocation could damage the brick tower.

The lighthouse was a quarter-mile from the ocean when it was completed in 1870. By the end of World War I, waves were lapping just 300 feet from its base. Today the ocean is 120 feet away.

Weather

Yesterday

High	63	as of
Low	43	5 p.m.

Precipitation

Yesterday	.00"
Month to date	1.27"
Season	2.52"

Today

Party Cloudy

High	51
Low	31

Wednesday54

High	54
Low	35

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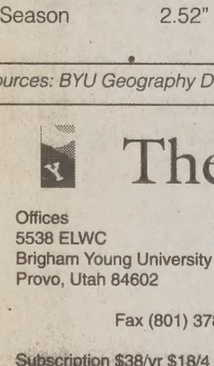
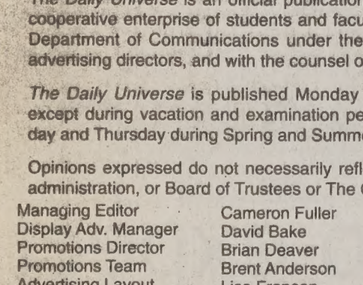


Scripture of the Day

"And I would exhort you, my beloved brethren, that ye remember that every good gift cometh of Christ." — *Moroni 10:18*



Julie Carlson, is a freshman from Bellevue, Wash., who has not yet declared her major. She said she likes this scripture because it reminds "me of how much I have to be thankful for because Christ gives me so many amazing blessings."

Kevorkian's tape raises questio

Associated Press

DETROIT — The tape of a man's death at the hands of Jack Kevorkian that was played on CBS' "60 Minutes" appears to be a homicide, but further study is needed, a prosecutor said Monday.

Kevorkian, who has acknowledged helping about 120 people take their own lives, calls Thomas Youk's death his first euthanasia.

He took the tape to "60 Minutes" to show to a national audience and to challenge prosecutors to settle the debate over assisted suicide.

In the tape aired Sunday, Youk's chin rests on his chest as the drug flows into his arm. Asked if he's awake, he doesn't respond.

Seconds later, Youk's head tilts back during two more injections, one of them meant to stop his heart.

Then Kevorkian is heard saying that the 52-year-old patient with Lou Gehrig's disease is a "straight line."

Kevorkian, a retired pathologist, was defiant in his challenge to prosecutors: "They must charge me. Because if they do not, that means they don't think it was a crime."

Oakland County Prosecutor David Gorcyca said Monday that his office still is investigating the case and has subpoenaed "60 Minutes" for an unedited copy of the videotape, which he wants to review before making any decisions on whether anyone should be charged.

Based on what he saw on "60 Minutes," he said, "It appeared a homicide was committed."

But he said he "will not be baited into making a premature charging decision."

"It would be irresponsible for any prosecutor to level charges against any individual ba[sed] on media reports and an edited version o[f] "60 Minutes," Gorcyca said.

Earlier, police Lt. John Dean said he [t]hought broadcast showed probable cause that [a] committed.

Kevorkian's longtime lawyer, Geo[rge] who stepped aside during his unsucc[essful] paign this year for governor, said he ha[d] Kevorkian about the case but said pro[secutor] would "be a waste of taxpayer money. [For] victim, there's nobody asking the polic[e] tor to do anything."

Kevorkian has acknowledged assistin[g] which patients activated his devices to [inject] chemicals into their bodies.

He has been acquitted of assisted sui[cide] in three trials; a fourth ended in a mistri[al]

Kidnapping suspect eludes Provo Police

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Provo Police are looking for a suspect that allegedly kidnapped and sexually assaulted a 22-year-old female in Provo late Saturday night.

ASSAULT SUSPECT

The ordeal ended an hour and a half after it began, at about 12:45, Sunday morning, when the victim was released by her captor, according to the Provo Police Department.

The victim's name has not been released by the police.

Det. George Besendorfer, the investigating officer, said the victim was walking on 200 West when she was approached by the suspect at about 940 North. The suspect threatened the victim with a gun that he was carrying.

The suspect forced the victim to walk to various locations from 940 North and Freedom Boulevard up to 1552 N. Moonriver Drive, at which point, the victim was released.

The victim was not raped by her captor. However, she reported to the police that she was sexually assaulted numerous times during the ordeal, Besendorfer said.

The victim reported to the police that she was taken to the Provo High School tennis courts, Exchange Park and Moonriver apartments. The assaults allegedly occurred at these locations.

The suspect has been described as a Hispanic male, in his early twenties. He is 5 feet, 10 inches tall, about 180 pounds, with brown eyes and black hair. At the time of the incident he was wearing blue jeans and a dark leather jacket.

Anyone with information regarding this incident can contact Det. Besendorger with the Provo Police Department at 852-7253.

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Heidi Bartle oversees a campaign on campus designed to prevent students from driving when sleepy.

She said the issue is a big concern for the university.

No classes on Wednesday is a direct result of the university's concern about sleepy students driving home, Bartle said.

Lindsay said students should take advantage of the extra day and drive during the daylight hours.

Bartle, 19, a junior from Mesa, Ariz., majoring in community health, and 20 volunteers from Eta Sigma Gamma and the Health Sciences Department are going to classes with a short presentation about drowsy driving, she said.

"What we're trying to do is changes attitudes," Bartle said."We should reach around 5,000 students with the classroom presentations," she said.

On average, four students die each year in sleep-related accidents.

Bartle said another goal of the campaign is to save those lives.

The campaign encourages students to get a good night's sleep before driving and warns them of relying on caffeine, loud music, cold air and driving between midnight and 6 a.m., she said.

She said she is pleased with student response so far.

The Utah Department of Highway Safety gave $5,000 to fund the campaign. Some money was used to purchase t-shirts as an incentive to help students stay awake, said Bartle.

Over 170 T-shirts have been given to students who have filled out a card stating they will spread the message to four others.

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was to offer lower tuition, Farnsworth said.

After several years experimenting with the lower spring/summer rates, however, it has become apparent that the low rates are not the most effective incentive during those less-busy times. Instead, the administration hopes that offering scholarships will do more to get people to consider taking spring and summer classes.

"The university has focused on increasing the amount of scholarship money available during spring and summer terms," Farnsworth said. "We have been very pleased by the number of students who have been able to use these funds."

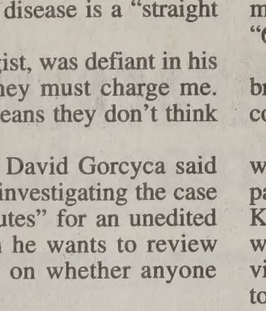
"We're restoring tuition back to the normal relationship, so the cost to the student could be just about the same but now more money is coming from scholarships rather than having lower tuition," Farnsworth said.

The scholarship office will determine the method of increasing the scholarship awards to spring and summer students.

Tuition changes are traditionally announced every November, Farnsworth said. Budget meetings with the commissioner's office and the Board of Trustees determine the total cost of running BYU for the coming academic year, and then tuition is set at the necessary rate to account for increasing costs. Requests for appropriations from the church are also determined at that time.

The relationship between the amount of tithing money and the amount of tuition money used in funding BYU remains the same through every tuition increase, Farnsworth said.

"I hope they cal[l] me on a mission



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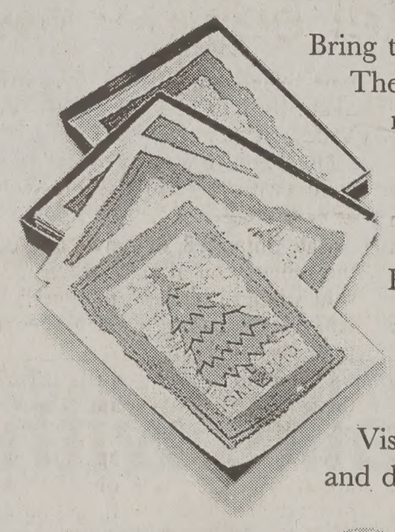

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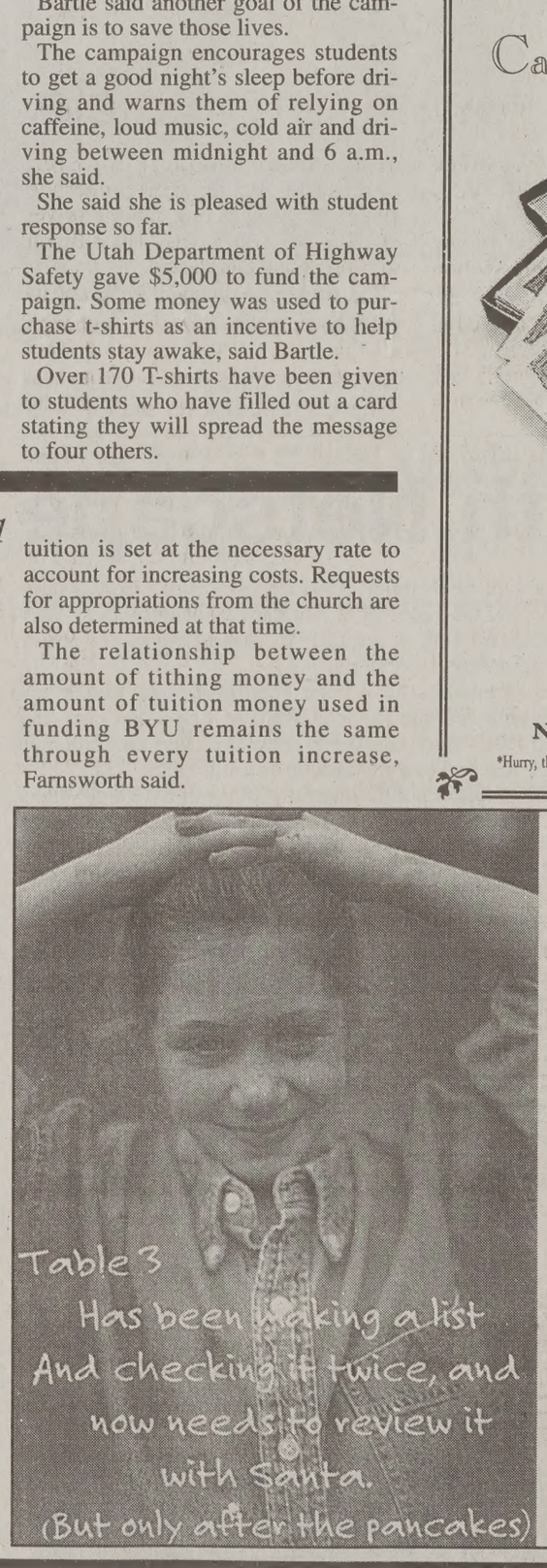

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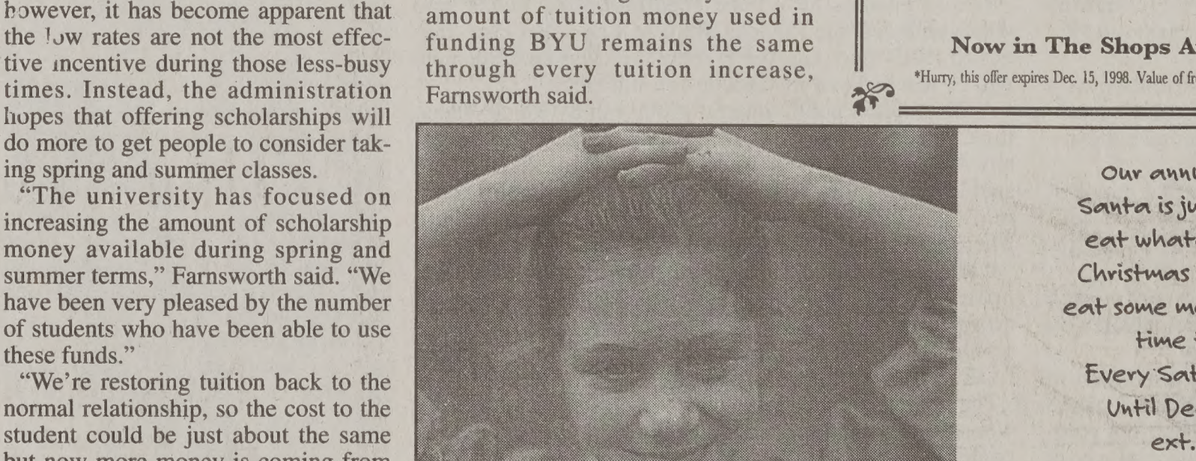

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spute turns violent Deseret Industries

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c dispute inside Deseret Industries between a 1 wife Monday erupted when the man hit his eir van outside the store, police said.

acios, 48, of Provo, was treated and released Valley Regional Medical Center after being hit band, Miguel Martinez Palacios, 57, in their d van, said Lt. Greg Duval of the Provo Police t. Jose Mendez, 36, who was with Mrs. as also hit by the vehicle and was treated for es.

ent began inside the store when Mr. Palacios his wife, who was with Mendez, Duval said.

ent ensued and continued outside the store alacios got in his van, ran over the curb on State truck his wife and Mendez, who were standing , Duval said.

king his wife, Palacios began to back up in rike them again, but was unable to do so hit a retaining wall, Duval said.

Palacios tried to run away from the accident, said the police officer but was apprehended by an off-duty police officer, Les Mason.

Mr. Palacios was arrested and booked for attempted murder and is in custody at the Utah County Jail, Duval said.

Police dispatch was originally notified of a pedestrian-automobile accident at 3:40 p.m.

When officers arrived on the scene, they learned from Mendez that it was a domestic dispute, and Mendez said Mr. Palacios intentionally hit his wife.

The nature of the relationship between Mrs. Palacios and Mendez is not confirmed, Duval said, but Mr. Palacios evidently believes it is a romantic relationship.

Domestic violence incidents like this are rare, Duval said.

"It isn't a common occurrence by any means," he said. "Domestic violence usually happens inside the home, so it is more physical, with fists and slaps."

Officers were not able to make an estimate of how fast the van was traveling when it hit Mrs. Palacios.

"It was traveling fast enough to bend the pole on the retaining wall," Duval said, pointing to a v-shaped metal post. "It also bent the suspension and shoved the wheel back into the car.

Dougal acquitted of embezzling

Associated Press

MONICA, Calif. — r figure Susan McDougal ted Monday of embezzling ctor Zubin Mehta and his se she said was trumped up re her to testify against Clinton.

ing that's happened to me years has been about Bill Ms. McDougal exulted after cquitted her on all nine cluding forgery and failure te income taxes. The jury l for parts of four days.

ant me to say things against Hillary Clinton. ... People , `Are you scared of Ken 'd better be scared of me m on my way back."

Dougal, 44, was accused of 50,000 from Mehta and his ncy, when she worked as r and personal assistant to Mrs. Mehta from 1989 to 1992. She could have gotten up to four years in prison.

The case took five years to get to trial. By that time, Ms. McDougal had become famous, hailed by many as a hero for her steadfast refusal to testify against her friend Clinton before the Whitewater grand jury. It was a decision that cost her 18 months in jail for contempt.

In addition, Ms. McDougal served 3 1/2 months of a two-year sentence in a Whitewater-related loan fraud case. She was released because of a painful back condition.

Also convicted were her late ex-husband James McDougal and former Arkansas Gov. Jim Guy Tucker. She still faces prosecution in Arkansas for her refusal to testify in the Whitewater case.

The California case played out as a Hollywood-style subplot of the scandal in Washington, even though the jurors were warned by the judge not to consider her Whitewater involvement or any possible ulterior motives on the prosecution's part.

Outside the jury's presence, defense attorney Mark Geragos said Starr had promised to make the embezzlement charges go away if Ms. McDougal would testify. When she refused, he alleged, Starr "propped up" the case and urged prosecutors to move on the defendant.

"Of course it's related to Whitewater," Geragos said after the verdict. "You think if her name was Susan McDonald they would try this case?"

Starr's office said in a statement that the California charges were brought before the appointment of any Whitewater independent counsel and were unrelated.

Juror Kathleen Spain, 71, said at a news conference that the jury followed instructions and "washed Whitewater out of our minds."

stable after being thrown from vehicle

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g boy was thrown from a ter the car he was riding in k by two other cars at an tion in north Provo on fternoon.

was riding in the back seat nbound Chrysler convertible turning left on to 4800 ff University Avenue, at 30 p.m. Sgt. Gary Hodson, Provo Police, said the car g driven by a 16-year-old n Houston, Texas.

boy was riding in the front r's seat of the convertible.

ver of the vehicle failed to oncoming traffic and was by southbound Kenny i, 51, of Afton, Wyo. The the collision spun the con- into the other southbound lane, where the vehicle was struck again by Don Ezola, 33, of Cedar Valley, Hodson said.

The vehicle came to rest in the southwest corner of the intersection on both wheels.

Matt Ohran, 28, of Provo, arrived at the scene soon after it occurred. He said when he arrived the small boy was lying on the sidewalk with a large gash on his head.

The gash was a result of being thrown from the car and hitting the ground, Ohran said.

He also said the boy appeared to be about 10 or 11 years old. The third boy appeared to be 12 or 13 years old.

Because someone else was already helping the boy, Ohran assisted the driver until medical help arrived.

"The driver kept saying, 'the light was green, the light was green,'" Ohran said.

He added that he tried to keep the driver from moving. However, because the driver was concerned about the younger boy and the driver of the other vehicle, he was difficult to calm down, Ohran said.

The two boys involved were apparently cousins, Ohran added. Although all three boys and the other drivers appeared to be injured, the youngest boy seemed to be hurt the worst, he said.

The three boys and Ezola were transported to Utah Valley Regional Medical Center, Hodson said. Mazzanti and his wife, who was riding in the car with him at the time of the accident, were transported to Orem Community Hospital.

According to the respective hospitals, the two older boys, Ezola, Mazzanti and his wife were treated and released.

The boy who was thrown from the convertible was listed in stable condition in the pediatrics unit at UVRMC.

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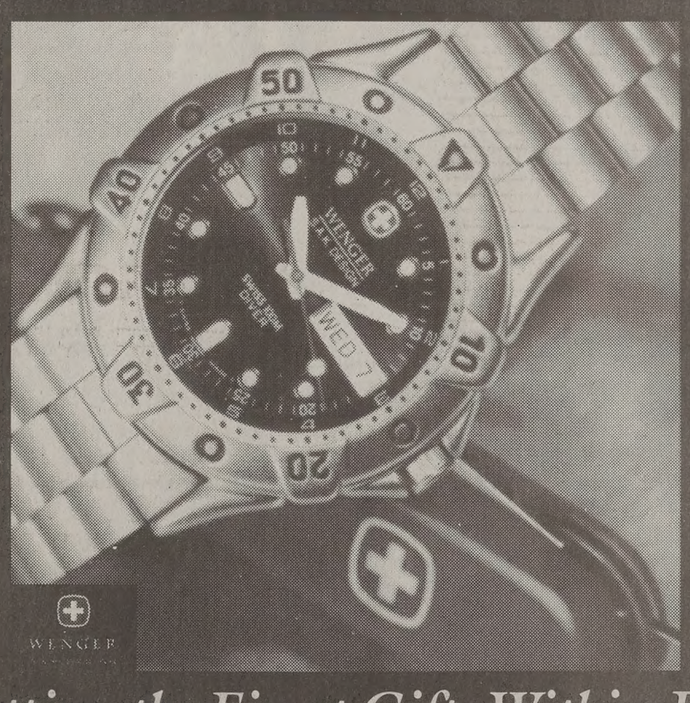

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Holiday driving tips

Once again, the holiday season is upon us. As many of us travel to be with friends and loved ones, it is important to be safe in order to return to the friends and loved ones we have here in Provo.

To that end, we at The Daily Universe would like to offer some tips to safe travel which if followed should decrease the chances of accidents over the holiday break.

1. Don't be in a hurry. Driving faster may make you think you are getting there faster, but in the long run you may only shave an hour or less off the journey. Balance that with the potential for a life-threatening accident due to speeding, and you should realize your life is worth more than an extra hour with the family.

2. Get plenty of rest before traveling. Don't be afraid to pull over and take a quick nap if you get sleepy and take frequent stretch breaks. Most accidents occur when the driver becomes weary and fails to stay on the road. You can avoid that by being well-rested before you begin your journey.

3. Have an emergency kit in the car at all times, containing such items as a flashlight, blanket, warning flares, scraper with brush, jumper cables, candle, matches and basic first aid supplies. Band-aids, gauze and anti-bacterial cream should be standard.

4. Check your car's tires, oil and coolant levels, lights and windshield wipers before starting on your trip. You don't want to be in the middle of your trip and find out your engine is overheating.

5. Keep an eye on your gas level and watch for engine warning lights. Don't let your gas level drop below a quarter of a tank, because gas stations may become scarce without warning. If in doubt, stop and fill up your tank. You can always use the break to stretch or use the restroom.

6. Plan your route and keep a map in the car for handy reference. Even if you have traveled the road before, it never hurts to have a map in case of detours.

7. Bring snacks to keep yourself alert and hunger-free. Chips and candy are always good trip foods, and a cooler of soda or juice can keep you thirst-free during your trip.

8. Choose good music that will not put you to sleep. Best idea is something you know the words or can sing along with. Use caution when switching CDs or tapes and never take your eyes off the road or hands off the wheel.

9. Don't get complacent. Pay attention to your surroundings regardless of how boring the scenery may get.

10. Have fun on your trip. If you can, travel with friends or relatives and enjoy activities like the alphabet game and the license plate game.

Follow these tips and return safely from wherever you travel this holiday season. Happy holidays!

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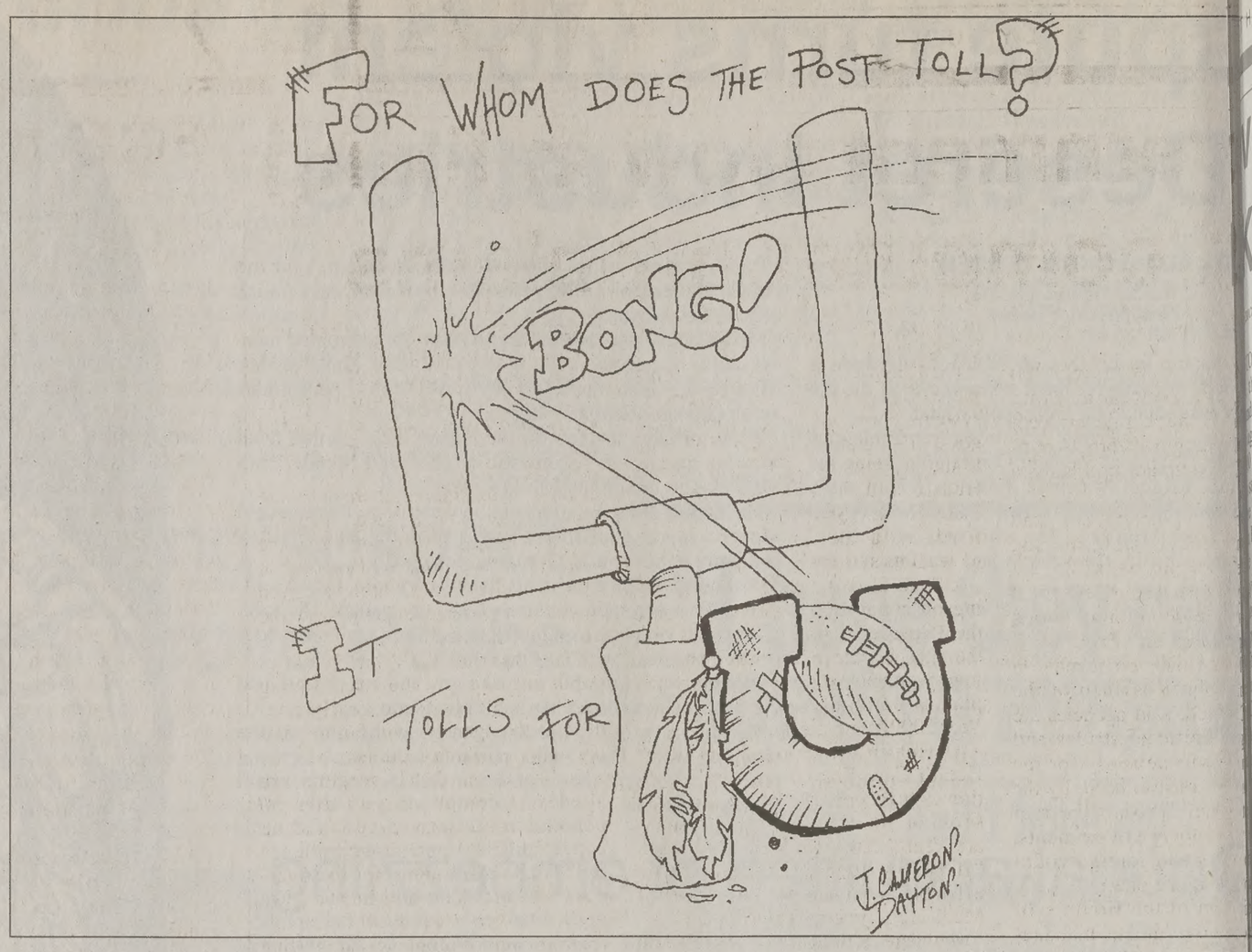
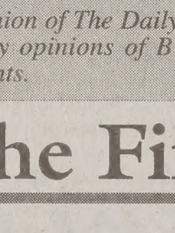


From the Fifth Floor

Hearings draw apathy



By Dean Paynter
Co-managing director BYU NewsNet

This is not the week to complain about what isn't. Especially since a day doesn't go by that I don't feel grateful for being a part of this great institution: for its setting, its students, its spirit.

But I think there is something missing on this campus. It's missing in a lot of places. But I believe it weighs more heavily upon us.

Thursday, independent counsel Kenneth Starr took the witness stand before the House Judiciary Committee in an impeachment inquiry. For the first time since he was assigned to investigate possible wrongdoing by the president of the United States, Ken Starr accepted the invitation to publicly lay out his case and defend himself against a perverse, calculated effort to destroy his investigation — and an honorable reputation.

I am unapologetic about that characterization, as a journalist and as a citizen. Mr. Starr has been demonized by politicians, commentators and talk show hosts for doing a job he never wanted. With extraordinary restraint and with rare exception, Starr never indulged in the luxury of responding to his critics and enemies. He went about his work.

Thursday was D-day for a shot at the truth. Though there would be little new information in Starr's testimony, the behavior of participants in the hearing would signal an undeniable warning about the status of truth, justice and fairness in the view of the people who lead the country.

On the morning of the hearing, our student editorial staff discusses the strategy for covering the story. We wonder what interest this will generate on campus. We think about peering in on students huddled around television sets; on faculty and office staff stopping by conference rooms to catch some of the testimony; we will basically report the tenor of interest and reaction.

Good strategy, one small problem: Little interest, little reaction.

The only story our reporters can come up with is how much of a non-story the hearings are on campus. With few exceptions, nobody is watching or listening. Many, including some faculty, are unaware of the hearings at all.

Somewhat curious and irritated, I venture around campus to sample for myself. I listen in on the chatter of crowded sidewalks and hallways wondering if I might hear some discussion of what had, to that point, been some intense and compelling testimony.

The chatter is typical, ranging from "If I flunk that quiz, I'm gonna die," to " I'm so tired of pizza, I'm feeling like lasagna today."

At the entrance to the SWKT, a student buys a USA Today newspaper, headlined "HISTORIC HEARING TODAY." I ask her why she has bought that particular paper. "I look for the tourist and travel information," she says. I point to the front page and ask if she has any thoughts on the story. There is a long pause as she reads for details. "I really don't know much about it," she says.

This is a pleasant young woman, and her response is not unlike others who I question in passing — like the three guys majoring in international politics:

"I've just decided on things like this that I'll read a summary when I get a chance," one says.

"This is just a very domestic issue, and I've been very busy studying anyway," says another.

And the third, with only slight jest, says, "When it starts affecting the economy, that's when we get interested."

After canvassing several buildings, my quest for someone watching the hearings is fruitless.

In fairness, I'm sure there are people watching behind closed doors in offices and such. In fact, one department secretary says she thinks there was a student watching that morning.

As I retreat to the newsroom, I pass in front of the library where a row of booths beckons students to clubs and concerts. The Bookstore and the Cougareat are buzzing. It is indeed another busy, bustling day on campus. And when it's over, students, if they choose, will get a superficial snapshot of a historic day through the filter of media and political spin.

I think it's odd. I wonder if students taking astronomy classes were assigned to read about the rare Leonid meteor shower last week. Or were they encouraged to step outside and observe it?

Are biology majors dissecting pictures of frogs rather than the real deal?

It seems to me that for students at a university that holds truth and light as the core of educational and life pursuit, this particular setting — the House impeachment inquiry — was a significant laboratory. And one doesn't have to accept my basic assumption about Kenneth Starr to accept that.

Now, a few concessions.

I know classrooms are structured for a reason. It may not be practical for teachers to dump their lesson plan to turn on the television or radio (though my class cheered my decision to do so).

I also know students are under a lot of stress to achieve. There's a lot going on. The pace of life is out of control, etc. etc. etc.

And I concede that many are justifiably turned off by the whole Lewinsky matter. A member of the Quorum of Twelve Apostles has warned us to avoid reading parts of the Starr report because of its explicit nature. That's good counsel. But I don't believe it contradicts an obligation to be informed and vigilant over the basic principles raised by this case and others like it.

Students at BYU have been told they are a chosen generation, the best the Lord has ever offered up. But it is also a generation that is fighting the powerful forces of comfort, of Book of Mormon parallel and proportion.

Noted Los Angeles commentator Dennis Prager (not LDS) says it's not enough in this day to endorse truth. According to Prager, we must be obsessed with it, and with keeping the line between right and wrong from blurring. Isaiah's prophecy about those who would call evil good and good evil seems to snugly fit the debate over fundamental issues of right and wrong playing out before Congress, and mirrored in public opinion polls.

We are not a nation at peace. There is a war on. The adversary has built a pretty good team, expert at leading the uncommitted into an acceptance of a moral relativism and lulling the rest of us into an attitude of tolerance for it.

I agree with Mr. Prager. I believe truth must be our obsession; whether in classroom in Provo, or a hearing room in Washington, D.C. At the very least, it might compete with our response to a missed field goal.

Indeed, these are extraordinary times, unlike any other. That was said about the '60s when I was growing up. As destructive as that decade was — the drugs and sex and rejection of authority — I must admit, last Thursday made me feel just a little bit nostalgic for its activism.

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Readers' Forum

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Fan draws violation

Dear Editor:

I am the founder and president of Superfans, the club for all BYU sports fans. I am a True Blue Fan. My club and I avidly support school spirit and our BYU athletic teams. We try hard to support all teams and athletes and spread school spirit and loyalty. We feel that the administration supports our efforts and know for a fact that the athletes and teams support us.

Well, Friday, as part of Blue and White Weekend, I dressed up in blue and was interviewed on both KBYU and Channel 4 news and was all prepared to go to the game Saturday. Part of my display of school spirit was a temporary coloring of my hair with blue face paint.

At 2 p.m. Friday, I was invited to LaVell Edwards' office where he personally handed me a new, free hat, and put his arm around me as we had our picture taken together. I was feeling pretty good about things.

At 3 p.m., I went to the Testing Center to take a test. People smiled as they saw my hair and I went about the normalities of getting my test. As I received my test, I was also given a small yellow paper and was informed that I was being cited for an Honor Code violation. Yes, I had an extreme haircut.

I thought they were joking and I couldn't believe they were doing such a thing. That moment, however, was my proudest moment as a Superfan of BYU sports. I gladly take the violation and ask the administrators of the Testing Center to move to the U of U.

Way to go Testing Center. Way to dampen the excitement of the weekend. Way to do your job. You continue to dominate my list of least likely places to ever find me in my free time along with a Chinese torture chamber, an apostate sacrament meeting, stealing from the Mafia undisguised, eating cabbage and other stupid ideas.

Adam H. Clark
Superfans Club President

More world coverage

Dear Editor:

The other day, I grabbed a copy of The Daily Universe to catch up on the recent headlines from the weekend. I figured that I could read about the standoff with Iraq, the race for the majority leader position in Congress, or something else of import.

Unfortunately, the front page of the paper was dominated with headlines about BYU sports teams, the most prominent of which dealt with the oh-so important issue of attendance at BYU football games. A story about Iraq did make it to the front page, but it was only given a small box in the lower corner. The rest of the paper didn't fare much better, as the vast majority of articles dealt with issues and events limited to an area of about three square miles in Provo and Orem.

I recognize that The Daily Universe gives journalism majors valuable experience and that its purpose is to serve the campus community, but I feel that the community would be better served if the paper reported non-local news more adequately.

I have a similar problem with the Readers' Forum. Doesn't anyone have anything more important to talk about than whether or not we should wear blue to football games, the leaf-raking dilemma and head-shaving? What about relief for Hurricane Mitch victims? Worthy social causes? The fact that our nation is at the brink of war?

Let's get out of our cocoons, folks. There is a world out there beyond the Point of the Mountain, and there are a lot more important things with which to occupy our time than how to watch football.

Brigham Bowen
Bellevue, Wash.

Where's the break?

Dear Editor:

The Wednesday that has been given is a much-appreciated break — and for those who are able to travel home, a great blessing. However, many of the students on campus are not able to travel home for many reasons like time, distance and money. It is impossible for me to get home for all three of those reasons.

So, as published in Wednesday's edition of The Daily Universe, Ron Bybee is quoted as saying, "Students lose one day of Christmas vacation" for the day that we are getting for Thanksgiving. As that may be all good and well for those who travel home for Thanksgiving, for those of us that can't, it is just one day less at Christmas that we get to spend with our family and friends at home.

Wasn't there another compromise the administration could have made, like adding an extra day into the semester? Hopefully, next year they'll be able to find a better solution to the problem that won't take away from people being with their families over Christmas.

Kristen Ahrens
Doylestown, Pa.

Extra day not for all

Dear Editor:

In regards to the article, "Day-longer holiday aimed for safe travel," I have a bone to pick. I think that the article only gave half the story and portrayed the administration as having all of our best interests in mind. The problem comes when you are a student and you are working for the university.

We were told from the beginning of the semester that we would have this extra day to travel, and so many of us made plans then to use the extra day and travel. We were excited about this change until last week, when we were told for the first time that the university has decided it must keep all services open on the Wednesday school will be out, including computer labs.

I don't understand the logic behind this. My husband and I made plans months ago to be in Denver for Thanksgiving, leaving Tuesday after classes and work. Then came the announcement that students must still work the Wednesday, even though there won't be any school. I know that a few students won't be traveling far for Thanksgiving, but a majority of them will.

This seems to be a not-too funny irony on the school giving us the extra day for safety. Those that will have to stay behind and work on Wednesday will still be making that trip late, and thus the safety factor is just the same as if this extra day were never given. What is the reasoning by the administration behind this?

April Palmer
Provo

Students help students

Dear Editor:

As the vice-president of advancement at BYU, I have the opportunity to review many worthy projects. One that has impressed me is the students' Lighting the Way Campaign. The reason it impresses me is because it's about students helping students. The goal of the campaign is to provide 100 half-tuition need-based grants. The price tag to accomplish this is $65,800 — a lofty goal.

As an administrator, a former faculty member and an alumnus of BYU, I congratulate you and applaud you for this effort. I support this campaign and encourage each of you, as students leaders and exemplars to participate to the best of your ability.

The student campaign committee has extended the drive through Wednesday, so I would encourage you to give soon. If you've lost your donation card, pick one up today at the information booth in the Wilkinson Center.

K. Fred Skousen
BYU vice-president of advancement

Editor's Note: Several letters were response to "Fashion tips for guys" are printed here.

Don't judge by fa

Dear Editor:

In response to last Tuesday' men's fashion, I think I need to things, as a male who quite simpl care. First of all, let me say I'm (well, not really, but I reverently re requirement that that word be used ter if I want it to be published).

Actually, I was amused by the reflected in the letter. For those missed it, it was the typical ra tapered leg jeans, turtlenecks and b being worn by men on campus. Wh cannot claim to bear any of the markings, I do proudly brandish anachronisms in my fashion reperto

The great error in the author's the assumption that the majority o are hoping to be judged by what and are hoping to appeal directly that share that feeling. Well, the steadily shrinking group of peop campus have had the epiphany tha lot more to find out about a perso many strands make up the weave on

I hope never in my life to be a the "Abercrombie generation" gir do all in my power to avoid that fa if it means keeping the part in my h nitely. For those of you that remain about this epidemic of anti-fashion guys on campus, I have a suggest your daddy's SUV, your Victori scented lotion, and your sparkly-fac and head to UVSC — every Tom paradise. They're looking for girls li

Ryan Bell
Farmington

Fashion a big cir

Dear Editor:

This is in response to the letter ion tips for guys. I wonder if the w looking at me as she wrote that letter uncanny resemblance to the majo statements of my wardrobe.

In my defense, I would like to tapered pants are the short man's onl mobility. If we even tried to wear th leg "stylish jeans," we would look li Ewoks hobbling around campus. I w five braided leather belts to hold tho garbage bags around my waist.

I only have four braided belts wh chosen carefully to match the differ of shoes that I have and these are all that I feel I need. Only one belt is fo tucked because I thought I might gro more than I have.

As for wearing clothes that I wore two before my mission, well, let's just I got off the fashion train before my and that I will happily wear those qua servative clothes until the fashion tra that way again. No use buying '60-ish be clothes before the train comes bac favorite stops: late '80s and beyond.

Now I do not recommend my styles to everybody. Some people hav of money to waste on fading fashions, others to think they do have money. like myself, are married or would rath our money on things that do not lose t fulness because some popularly insane designer in Paris or Rome wants t more money.

James B. Linton
Provo

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vernment slow in fixing K computer problems

Associated Press

GTON — With only 400 , the Pentagon, State and other big government lagging in efforts to rem- 00 computer problems, a said Monday.

re is a gloomy one," said n Horn, R-Calif., warning e breakdowns in the yments system, electrical nd telecommunications problem isn't fixed.

hite House point man on n, John Koskinen of the Council, said agencies are g significant strides and ms will be ready for the r on track to be so by the t year. He said the real with local governments, anies and foreign coun- e at square one."

irman of the House sub- on government manage- nation and technology, has g out quarterly ratings of eral agencies are coping known as the Y2K prob- August, he gave the admin- overall rating of "D" for in fixing computers and nications systems and drawing up contingency plans for breakdowns.

The Defense Department, which has made 52 percent of its mission-critical systems corrected for the Year 2000, got a "D-" grade. Marks of "F" went to the departments of Justice, Energy, Health and Human Services and State. He said State is only 36 percent fixed, and at the current rate will not have all its systems fixed until 2034.

A State Department official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the 36 percent figure was accurate but the agencies are expecting substantial improvements in the next report and plan to be totally corrected for the Year 2000 by next August.

At Health and Human Services' Health Care Financing Administration, which operates Medicare, only seven of 100 mission-critical systems are Year 2000 compliant, Horn said. "If HCFA does not accelerate its efforts dramatically, failure of Medicare's systems is inevitable."

Medicare administrator Nancy-Ann DeParle, in a recent statement, said ensuring that Medicare beneficiaries continue to receive benefits after Jan. 1, 2000, was her No. 1 priority. She said Medicare would have a "war room" to monitor progress on the problem.

Many computers are programmed to recognize only the last two digits of a year, and there are fears of massive breakdowns after Jan. 1, 2000, when machines will assume it is 1900. Many computers have embedded microchips that must be physically replaced.

Congress last month approved more than $3 billion in emergency spending to help with the cost of correcting the problem, now estimated at more than $7 billion. President Clinton has given agencies until next March to make the necessary changes.

But Horn urged the White House to speak out more on the issue, saying that at the current rate nearly one-third of the agencies will fail to comply with the March deadline.

Koskinen said 61 percent are already in compliance, up from 50 percent in the last survey, and he expected 85-90 percent compliance by March. "We ought not to sugar-coat" the problem, he said, but "we need to be very clear about the significant amount of progress that is being made."

At the Pentagon, which runs almost 40 percent of the mission-critical systems in the government, spokeswoman Susan Hansen said the department "has an aggressive program to make sure that our systems can face the Year 2000 challenge."

aelis upset by peace deal

Associated Press

H, West Bank — Benjamin and Yasser Arafat both fire Monday from seg- r populations disappointed test Middle East peace

visit to Jewish settlements the land-for-peace deal in last month, the Israeli er was met with signs that on't live in a ghetto" and normal life for our chil-

ppease worried Jewish set- lated after an Israeli troop Friday from 2 percent of n West Bank, Netanyahu he Hermesh settlement a larger budget, a swimming pool and computers for their children.

Support from the powerful settler lobby and hard-liners in Netanyahu's government has slipped since Netanyahu agreed to hand over more West Bank land to Palestinian control.

As settlers dug their heels deeper into West Bank land, Netanyahu vowed to strengthen the settlements and reiterated a threat to annex huge chunks of land if the Palestinians carry out any unilateral acts, such as declaring statehood.

"We will act to ensure that settlements remain, grow and blossom," Netanyahu told residents of Hermesh, a tiny settlement built on a peak that commands a sweeping view of the Palestinian-controlled city of Nablus to the northwest.

New access roads for Hermesh's 50 families will be built on Arab-owned land to be expropriated in the coming months, said Defense Ministry officials who accompanied Netanyahu on the settlement tour. Israel announced two weeks ago that it would confiscate thousands of acres of Palestinian land for bypass roads for settlers.

Earlier, Netanyahu said he would not capitulate to Palestinian demands to release so-called Palestinian security prisoners jailed for militant or political acts against Israel.

In Gaza, hundreds of relatives of Palestinian detainees protested against Arafat for not pushing the prisoner issue. In addition to Friday's troop withdrawal, Israel also set free 250 prisoners, but most were common criminals.

za Airport takes to flight

Associated Press

EH, Gaza Strip — The con- s still without controls, the unter has no computers, away can't function after of flood lights.

uch temporary shortcom- International Airport is set y, aided by a little improvi- lot of patriotic pride.

rious feeling of independ- ing that we are open to the world," said Fawzi Tabil, a Palestinian watching as workers painted white lines Monday on the tarmac in the southern Gaza Strip, close to the Egyptian border.

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat planned to be on hand this morning for the first arrival — a plane from Cairo carrying Egyptian officials. At half-hour intervals, six more planes are to land, including flights from Morocco and Spain.

The European Union, which donated $38 million for equipment and training, is sending its Mideast envoy on a special plane.

The airport opening had been held up for two years because of disputes between Israel and the Palestinian Authority over Israel's role in monitoring passengers and cargo.

In the end, Israel will have a say over who and what is coming into the Gaza, but the Israeli monitors will operate discretely, behind one-way mirrors, as they do now at the Rafah and Allenby Bridge crossings into autonomous Palestinian areas.

FCC may block Bell-GTE merger

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Consumer groups and long-distance companies want federal regulators to block Bell Atlantic's proposed takeover of GTE, saying it would blunt competition and lessen prospects for lower phone prices.

Opponents of the merger say it would create such a formidable force — controlling one-third of the nation's phone lines — that other phone companies would not want to compete against it, particularly for less lucrative residential phone customers.

The Federal Communications Commission and the Justice Department are reviewing the $52 billion merger to determine whether it would be good for consumers and for competition. Monday was the first deadline for all interested parties to weigh in on the deal at the FCC.

Bell Atlantic and GTE say the merger would be good on both counts. They say the combined company will have efficiencies and the financial muscle to provide phone and other services to markets the individual companies don't serve.

The merger, announced in July, would create the nation's second-largest telephone company, promising an array of advanced voice, data and Internet services to millions of Americans.

The combined company would control 63 million local lines in 38 states. Only AT&T, once it completes its planned acquisitions, would be bigger.

The Consumers Union, the Consumer Federation of America, Sprint Corp., MCI WorldCom and AT&T want the FCC to block the deal outright, saying there are no conditions that regulators could impose on the merger that would satisfy them.

"It would be impossible to get competitors to enter the combined companies' markets and drive down residential phone rates," said Gene Kimmelman, co-director of the Consumers Union's Washington office.

Sprint and WorldCom contend the merger would eliminate GTE as a competitor to Bell Atlantic. GTE now offers phone service in Pennsylvania and Virginia, part of Bell Atlantic's local phone region.

WorldCom and Sprint also argue that if the merger is approved, the FCC should not let GTE continue providing long-distance service inside the merged companies' 38-state territory.

The merged company, they said, would first need to open its local phone market to competition — as required by a 1996 telecommunications law — before being allowed to offer long-distance service to local phone customers.

The law's provisions governing long-distance entry apply only to the Bells, not to GTE.

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This works because TrueType fonts are vector drawings rather than bitmaps. This allows the program to expand the sizes. If you try this, you'll find that 144-point fonts will print quite nicely.

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I-15 to stay open thanks to holiday

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Salt Lake City travelers will be able to enjoy roads free of construction closures during the Thanksgiving holiday.

All regular closures, including the usual complete nighttime closure of Interstate 15, have been postponed to allow for better travel during the holiday, said Joseph Walker, a member of the public information team at Utah Department of Transportation.

"We want to give everyone a break for the holiday, including the workers," Walker said.

All construction workers will have Thursday and Friday off. They return to work on Saturday, but there will be no closures throughout the weekend.

Motorists can use I-15, I-215, State Street, 700 East, Redwood Road and Bangerter Highway for north and south travel. However, east and westbound I-80 junctions from I-15 are still closed.

Northbound travelers should use the 900 South exit to reach the downtown area, and southbound travelers are encouraged to use 600 North to reach downtown.

Travelers will also be able to use the new southbound offramp at 106 South, which opened this morning at six after three months of construction, Walker said. All onramps and offramps at 106 South are now open for public use.

The southbound offramp to 90 South closed simultaneously with the opening of 106 South this morning. The rest of the onramps and offramps at 90 South will close down in December, and will not reopen until late next year, Walker said.

Southbound traffic was directed to new pavement throughout Monday night between 106 South and 90 South, allowing for use of the new offramp at 106 South.

The I-15 reconstruction project is not expected to be completed until October 2001.

Benson Institute helps Bolivians

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Members of a small community in Bolivia are eating better now thanks to students at San Andres University in Bolivia and BYU's Ezra Taft Benson Agriculture and Food Institute.

The Benson Institute has been building underground greenhouses called walipinis and bed-sized vegetable plots called pankah ruyus since the early 1990s in Bolivia.

Paul Johnston, director of the Benson Institute, said the institute's goal is to improve nutrition in the developing world.

Johnston said having local universities play a significant role in the project helps perpetuate the program. When the students finish their research, they write up lessons local farmers can learn from the project.

A walipini is a greenhouse that is built partially underground. Pankah ruyus are small above-ground plots. Workers grow small crops of lettuce, beets, lima beans, tomatoes, carrots, garlic and other vegetables.

The terms for the gardens and greenhouses are Aymaran -- the language of the indigenous people for whom they were built. Walipini translates roughly into "This is awesome!" Pankah ruyu means "bed of flowers."

Luis Iturry, a student at San Andres University in Bolivia, will be at BYU for one year to finish his research on the walipinis and pankah ruyus.

Iturry, speaking through a translator, said he is writing lessons to teach the people how to maintain the crops when the researchers are gone.

"Adults don't like to eat vegetables because they're not used to them, Iturry said. "So we work with the children to teach them to like them."

Iturry said he wants to give people the opportunity to get educated about nutrition, and that he likes being able to improve the lives of the children.

Iturry said that while he knows he can't help the whole country, he's happy to help the few people he can.

Photo courtesy

Workers from an underground greenhouse called walipini in Bolivia display carrots and potatoes they grew. The greenhouses were built from the Benson Institute.

Visiting professor to discuss Islam at Forum

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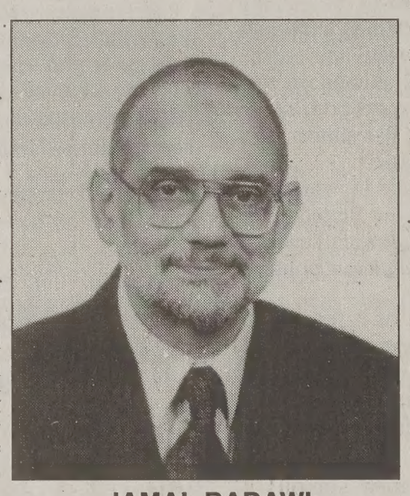
Jamal Badawi, founder and chair of the Islamic Information foundation, will address students about "Islam in America" at Tuesday's Forum.

Badawi, a professor of management at Saint Mary's University, in Halifax, Canada, will speak at 11 a.m. in the Marriott Center on the history of Islam in the U.S. He will talk about how similar the basic beliefs of Islam are to the core beliefs of other Abrahamic religions such as Judaism and Christianity.

During a question and answer session at the Wilkinson Center on Monday, Badawi said Islam has nothing to do with the negative stereotypes that seem to exist among western cultures. But he said he has confidence that in a few years those stereotypes will change.

"I have confidence in the American people," Badawi said. "They are thinking people and they try to be fair."

One way Badawi tries to dispel the stereotypes people have of Muslims is by giving lectures. But he said there must be a better way to reach larger audiences and change people's perceptions of Muslims.



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Badawi said today's Forum should be of interest to students because he will address the possibilities of the existence of Islam before Columbus sailed to the Americas as well as the growth of the Muslim religion. He said there are similarities between members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and Muslims. Once people discover those similarities, foundations for better relations can develop.

"That kind of mutual understanding is not only useful for just theological discussions and understanding, but for good neighborly relations and peaceful coexistence among various segments of American people," he said.

Jim Toronto, a professor of Islamic studies at BYU, said the university and students should be interested in other religions and beliefs. He said because Muslims are a religious minority, members of the LDS church should be able to relate to them.

"If there's anyone who sympathizes with Muslims in America, it ought to be Latter-day Saints," Toronto said. "We've been through the same kinds of thing as they are going through and we're interested in the same kinds of issues of religious freedom and the ability to practice our faith in an increasingly secular world."

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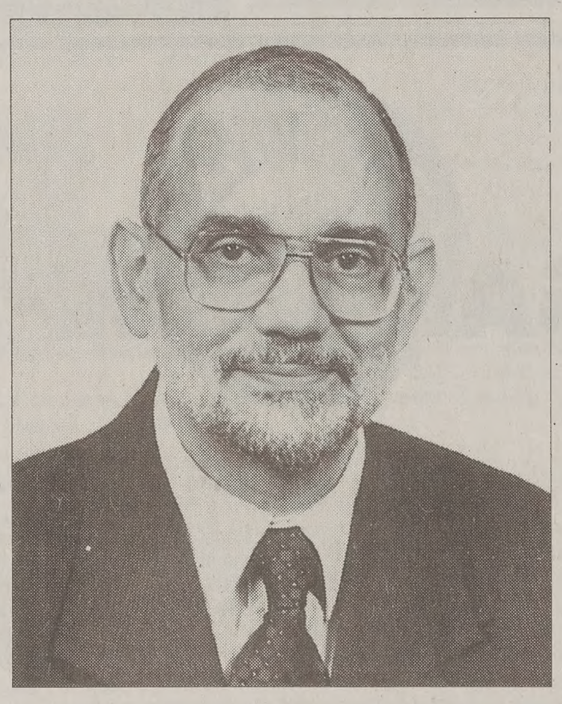

Dr. Jamal Badawi

Islam in America

Dr. Jamal Badawi, founder and chairman of the Islamic Information Foundation, Halifax, Canada, is currently professor of management at Saint Mary's University in Halifax. He has written several books and articles on Islam. His successful series *Islam in Focus* has been broadcast over several television networks and distributed in videotape form to 35 countries.

Dr. Badawi is an expert on Christian-Muslim dialogue. He has lectured extensively in North America and abroad on a variety of topics, including Islam and Christianity. He is also a member of the Islamic Society of North America (ISNA) Fiqh Council.

The Islamic Information Foundation, which Dr. Badawi heads, promotes better understanding and relations between Muslims and others. Through lectures, seminars, brochures, and videotapes, the foundation provides information on the Islamic culture both for Muslims and others who want to learn more about Islam.

Dr. Badawi is also a member of the Consultative Council of the Islamic Circle of North America. He founded and chairs the Islamic Educational Foundation, a federally registered educational foundation in the U.S. and Canada.

Dr. Badawi's presentation will discuss the history of Islam in the U.S. It will include information about possible pre-Columbian evidences of Islam in America and about the Muslim presence prior to the Civil War. It will also address the growth and visibility of Islam, soon to become the second largest religion in the United States. Dr. Badawi will discuss how the basic tenets of Islam relate to other Abrahamic religions, namely Judaism and Christianity. He will address the major issues, problems, and concerns of the Muslim community in the U.S. today. He will also discuss the prospects for Islam as we move into the 21st century.

A question-and-answer session will be held at 12 noon in the Marriott Center Cougar Room.

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...ans in Congress have ...o for two years to turn ...mpaign finance investiga... ...tion to an outside prosecutor. Reno's task force of more than 120 prosecutors and investigators has charged 14 people, including prominent Democratic donors and fund-raisers.

Her aides anticipate Reno will take each decision "up to the last minute," as one official involved in the deliberations said Monday. Just in case, they drafted papers to go either way, although the documents requesting an independent counsel are terse and contain far less information than those that explain why she does not name one.

Reno got the recommendation of her criminal division on the Gore case Saturday, and she is known for peppering aides with questions and demands for more information during the final reviews of these decisions. While considered unlikely, an unanswered, last-minute question from Reno might force her to request 60 more days to study any of the cases.

As before during the two-year-old campaign finance investigation, she has conflicting advice. FBI Director Louis J. Freeh said last week he and bureau officials made recommendations on the three cases, but he wouldn't divulge them.

Law enforcement officials said Freeh recommended a counsel, as he has twice before. Freeh has argued the sprawling probe should be investigated as one potential scheme to circumvent campaign laws and, at least to avoid an appearance of a conflict of interest, an outside counsel should be in charge.

But other officials said she was getting contradictory advice from career department prosecutors, whose advice she has taken over Freeh's before. A year ago, she turned down independent counsels to probe Gore's telephone fund raising and Clinton's use of White House coffees and overnight visits for contributors.

Clinton, Gore and others were interviewed during the current 90-day inquiries conducted by Justice officials.

The Gore case revolves around whether he lied to investigators during last year's probe when he said he understood a Democratic Party media campaign fund that paid for the issue ads contained only so-called "soft money," like that Gore thought he was raising in telephone calls from his office. Reno ruled last year that federal law barred only soliciting "hard money," which advocates election of specific candidates, from government offices.

Since then, Gore's private lawyer has turned over handwritten notes, by Gore's former deputy chief of staff David Strauss, from a Nov. 21, 1995, strategy meeting Gore attended at the White House. The cryptic notes contain a reference to the media fund being composed of a combination of about two-thirds soft money and one-third hard money, which is allowed by the Federal Election Commission.

Investigators interviewed those at the meeting to see if the division of money was discussed in detail while Gore was there and if he showed he understood it.

The Clinton case involves whether issue ads, which both parties use, crossed the line into advocating Clinton's election. A Federal Election Commission staff audit argued this summer that they did and recommended requiring Clinton's re-election campaign to repay $13.4 million in federal matching funds.

The law requires that violations be knowing and intentional.

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...n has said he, like Hyde, is eager to have the entire issue resolved by the end of the year. "If it requires a vote in the House of Representatives, I'd be prepared to ask Newt Gingrich, as the current speaker of the House, to call us in," he said in an appearance Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press."

But apart from the committee, little effort has gone into planning the final stages of the impeachment drama.

Livingston says he has not discussed the issue with Hyde, nor has House Democratic leader Dick Gephardt had any discussions with Livingston on the subject, according to Democratic officials. The issue did not come up last Thursday either, when Livingston presided over the first formal meeting of the newly elected GOP House leadership.

> ***"I don't think there is any constitutional authority for us to do anything other than impeachment."***
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> *—Rep. Bill McCollum, R-Florida*

The White House has been checking the impeachment landscape in the wake of an expected gain of seats by Democrats in the Nov. 3 election.

"I have been taking the temperature of some individuals, finding out what their views are," Gregory Craig, a White House aide, said on "Meet the Press."

Energy Secretary Bill Richardson, a former lawmaker, has been asked to contact members of the House to gauge the sentiment, officials said.

Clinton's response to written questions from Hyde will also have an impact.

Aides close to Clinton expect those responses to be shipped to Congress on Wednesday or Friday, when many Americans will be celebrating Thanksgiving and paying little attention to news reports.

The answers are said to rely heavily on responses previously given by Clinton or his lawyers, referring Hyde to the president's deposition and the lawyers' reaction to Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's report.

On the most pointed questions, which ask whether Clinton gave "false or misleading testimony," the answers do not in any way suggest an admission to perjury, say officials involved in drafting the document. The document is subject to change after last-minute review by Clinton or his lawyers.

Also unknown is how seriously Hyde intends to delve into issues unrelated to Clinton's relationship with Monica Lewinsky, which Starr investigated at length.

The panel took a deposition on Monday from Daniel Gecker, an attorney for Kathleen Willey, the woman who claims Clinton made a sexual pass at her in the White House. Other depositions are planned, and a hearing is set for next week on the subject of perjury.

Hyde hasn not yet said whether the committee will go into allegations of campaign finance wrongdoing during Clinton's re-election effort in 1996 — an issue over which Starr does not have jurisdiction.

Republican investigators are eager to see the memo a federal prosecutor wrote to Attorney General Janet Reno recommending appointment of an independent counsel for the issue. Reno has refused to turn the memo over, and Hyde must decide how strenuously to pursue the document, which includes grand jury material, according to officials.

One Justice Department official, requesting anonymity, has said that past court rulings have held that grand jury secrets could be to sent to Congress if the material was to be used in an impeachment inquiry.

The impeachment inquiry, which the House voted to conduct last month, expires in early January with the current Congress. Officials said Monday that Hyde's powers, and those of his committee, would be curtailed.

On the other hand, they said, Hyde — or any other lawmaker — could introduce an impeachment resolution in the new Congress. Under the rules of the House, a vote would be granted.

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Even if it makes it to the Senate, Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, predicts there isn't the two-thirds support for impeachment.

Pollster Dan Jones & Associates found in a statewide survey taken several weeks ago that 42 percent of Utah residents want Clinton impeached and removed from office.

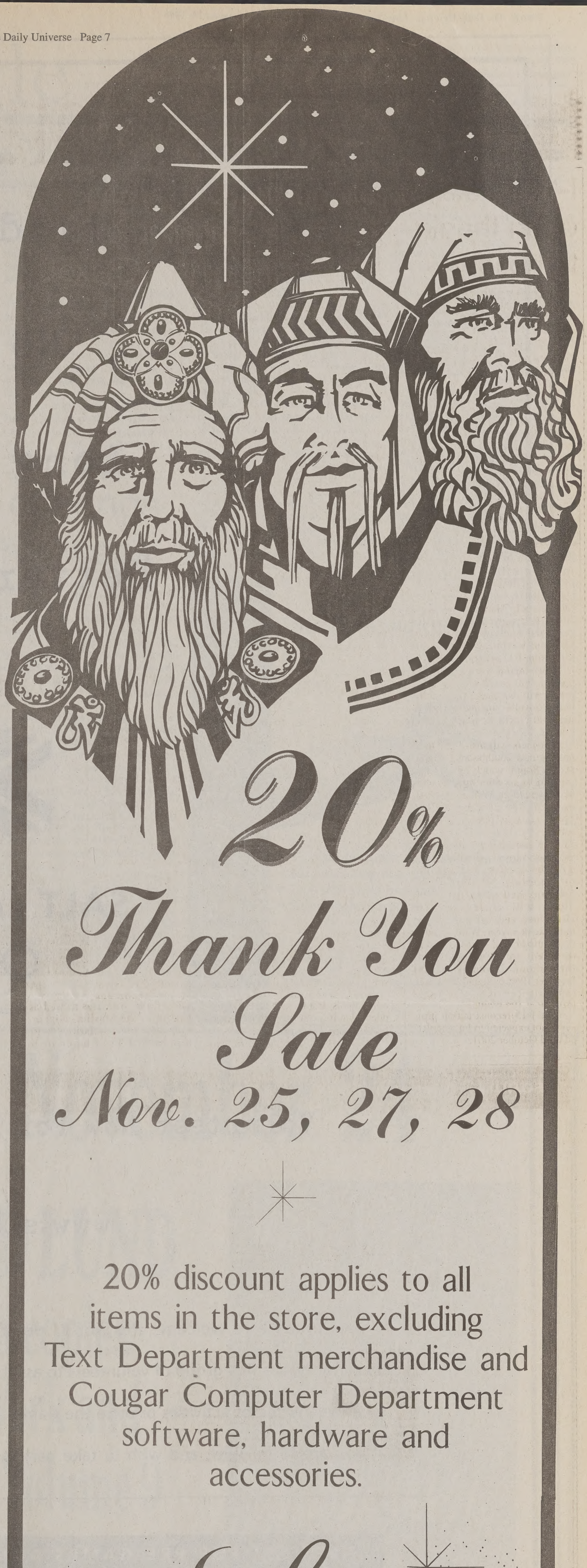
Another 11 percent want the House to recommend impeachment, even if the Senate won't vote to remove him. That marks the first time more than half of Utah residents have said they want Clinton punished through the impeachment process.

Jones found that 25 percent want the president censured and 15 percent want no action taken.

Also, 56 percent of Utah residents want Clinton to resign, the highest number measured this year, up 15 percent from an August poll and 3 percent from a poll last month.

Clinton's job approval, at 50 percent in March, slipped to 43 percent. Fifty-four percent disapprove of his job performance. Nationally, about 60 percent approve of Clinton's performance, according to an exit poll conducted by Voter News Service for the Associated Press and five television networks.

The Dan Jones poll of 1,247 registered Utah voters was conducted between Oct. 21-29 and has a 2.8 percent margin of error. Jones also does polling for the Utah Republican Party and GOP politicians.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The message of the play, of the king who has come for the downtrodden, is manifest through the miracle that occurs in Amahl's life. Amahl idealizes the child in each of us, as we seek the King and the miracles that he brought to this world.

The costumes and set are appropriate and well constructed. The actors and actresses' performance are complimented by a fine orchestra.

The only problem in the opera was the resolution. The entire opera goes for about 50 minutes, but resolves itself in five. More development in the story line would help to make the miracle of Amahl touch the audience with greater force.

The program also lacked a clear synopsis of the program or outline of the opera, which would've helped at the end.

After the concluding applause, there was confusion as to whether it was intermission or the conclusion. Considering there was no curtain call, many audience members muttered "is that the end?"

The evening began with Christmas organ music performed by Lella E. Pomeroy. The cast of "Amahl" also performed the "Shepherd's's Chorus," another collection of Christmas classics. The best of the four performed by the cast was John Rutter's beautiful lullaby "Candlelight Carol."

"Amahl and the Night Visitors" will be performed Nov. 27 through Dec. 12 at the Villa Theater in Springville, 7:30 p.m. every Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday; matinees 2:30 p.m. Nov. 28, Dec. 5 and 12. Tickets are $8 at the door.

Thanksgiving Weekend

COMMUNITY CALENDER

—New international nativities will be on display at the Museum of Church History and Art. The new nativities represent the artistic traditions of Poland, Mexico, Chile, Israel, and early North America. Admission is free.

—Women's Services & Resources will sponsor the first of a two-part depression workshop series Thursday, Dec. 3. The workshop will be from 11 a.m. to noon in 3234 Wilkinson Center. Admission is free.

—BYU Religious Education and Continuing Education will sponsor a conference commemorating the centenary of the birth of author C.S. Lewis on Friday, Dec. 4 and Saturday, Dec. 5. The event will be in the Conference Center beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and will continue from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday.

MUSIC

—At Club Omni, Caribean Party will be performing on Friday night, and Yohann's Rocket and Linus will be performing on Saturday night.

—BYU String Orchestra will perform Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the de Jong Concert Hall. Admission is free.

—A Community Music Series concert will be held Tuesday at the Provo Tabernacle, featuring the music of Sigmund Reomberg. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Holiday TV offerings jump start this week

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Go ahead and slap a big shiny bow on your television set, which will be bursting with holiday largess over the next few weeks.

Movies, music, classic cartoons and more will mark Thanksgiving, Christmas and the New Year. From television's point of view, it's not hard to see why the medium would exploit — pardon us, celebrate — this time of year so fully.

So, in the spirit of the holidays, we'll give TV a cheery thanks for being generous and wish it a bountiful commercial harvest in return. Here are the movie highlights (all times EST):

MOVIES:

— "Ebenezer" stars Jack Palance as the title character in a retelling of Dickens' tale set in the 1870s American West. Palance is the town miser who tries to cheat a young cowboy in the TNT film, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25.

— Harry Hamlin plays a scheming businessman who also happens to be Santa Claus' son in "Like Father, Like Santa," showing on Fox Family Channel 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1. Gary Coleman co-stars as a feisty elf.

— "The Christmas Wish" stars Neil Patrick Harris as a young man who goes in search of a family secret and, with Debbie Reynolds' help, finds himself. It airs 9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, on CBS.

— Scott Glenn and Courtney B. Vance star in "Naked City: A Killer Christmas," directed by Peter Bogdanovich and with characters drawn from the noir classic "The Naked City." It's on Showtime at 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13; the original film precedes it at 6:15 p.m.

— "It's a Wonderful Life" once again as NBC airs the Frank Capra black-and-white classic starring Jimmy Stewart and Donna Reed at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19.

— Country singer LeAnn Rimes and Bernadette Peters star in "Holiday in Your Heart," airing 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 24, on ABC. Rimes is on the verge of her Grand Ole Opry debut in Nashville in this movie based on the book she co-wrote with Tom Carter.

New book implores people to search, follow inner self

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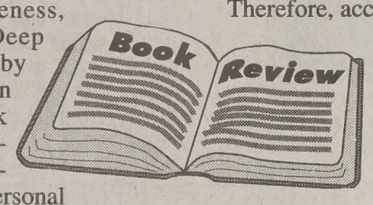
"Working Beneath the Surface: Attending to the Soul's 'Hidden Agenda' for Wholeness, Fulfillment, and Deep Spiritual Healing" by Thomas Riskas is an eye-opening book focusing on a different approach to self-improvement and personal development.



Riskas' book discusses the process of looking into the depths of ourselves to discover who we truly are.

According to Riskas, this inner probing is rarely done, partly because most people don't know this inner self exists and also because if it's ever located most people would not know what to do with the discovery.

"People need to stop trying to identify with perfection and success and start listening to their soul and the parts of their person they've alienated from themselves," Riskas said.

"It takes the excitement and adventure out of our lives if we are too concerned with homogeneity and fitting in. We need to stop serving our ego and start serving our soul and listening to our heart," he said.

Therefore, according to Riskas, people need to do more than just become proficient at surface-level activities such as forming good habits and modifying their behavior.

Another major point of the book focuses on the challenges of relationships that are less fulfilling than we would like them to be. Riskas says the failure of these relationships is a reflection on a lack of self-awareness.

"We need to develop intimate, deeply fulfilling relationships with ourselves," Riskas said.

Thomas Riskas will be speaking and signing books Friday at Desert Book in the University Mall from 4 to 6 p.m. and at the Orem Barnes & Noble, 330 E. 1300 South, from 7 to 9 p.m.

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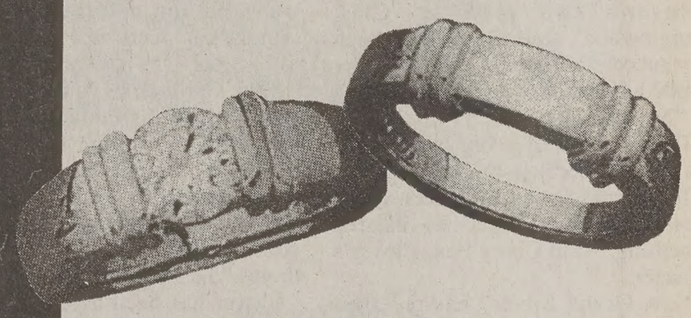

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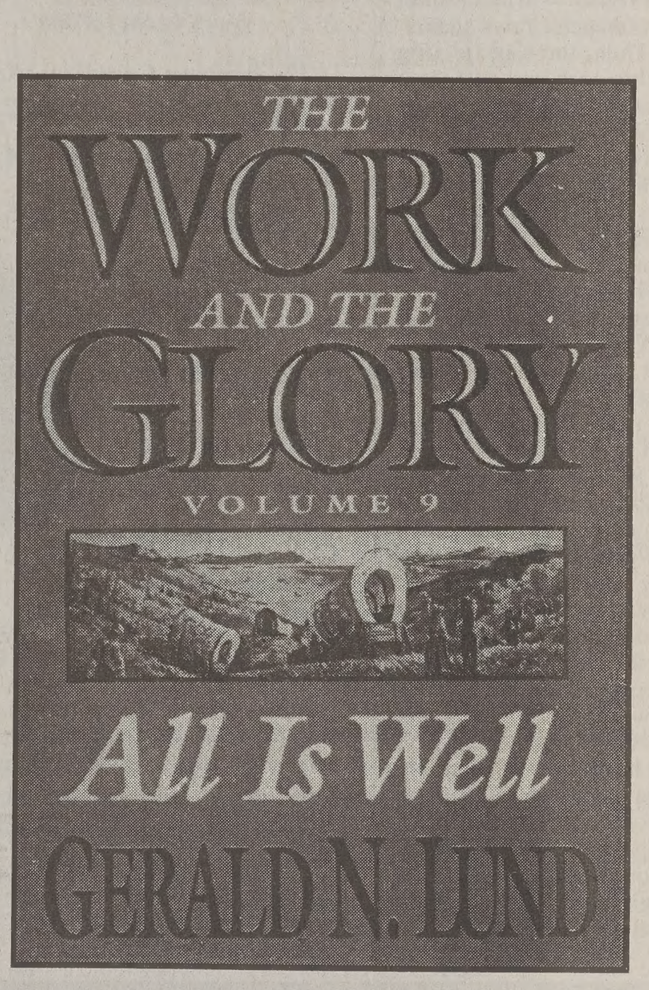

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Members of the Utah band Clover, pictured here, will perform a concert tonight for the release of their new CD "New Grand Silver." The concert is at Kingsbury Hall on the University of Utah campus and starts at 7:30.

Clover, a Utah band, will perform tonight at Kingsbury Hall

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The band Clover is having a CD release concert tonight at 7:30 in Kingsbury Hall, on the University of Utah campus.

Clover's two previous CDs, "Tanglewood" and "Sun" have been very successful, the latter selling over 12,000 albums. Expectations are high for "New Grand Silver."

"There's kind of a big buzz about this concert because the last CD was highly successful and it's been about three years since Clover has released something," said Corey Fox, Clover's manager.

"New Grand Silver" has received good reviews and positive feedback so far, much to the band's delight.

"People have said the CD is a little more integral," said Jamen Brooks, Clover's lead guitarist and singer. "It's a bigger sounding CD with more electric guitar and other instruments like strings."

Sunfall Festival, another local band, will open for Clover. Chris Peterson, Sunfall Festival's drummer, said he's looking forward to the performance because of the different setting and the great acoustics at Kingsbury Hall.

"We're excited to play at such a large venue," Peterson said. "It's much better to perform live than in a studio because there's a risk factor involved and it allows you to extend yourself beyond what the audience has heard on the CD."

Clover's last CD release concert was sold out, and the group hopes tonight's concert will also play to a full house.

Mike Gardner, 27, a senior from St. George majoring in theater and media arts, said he's going to the concert mainly for Sunfall, but is also curious about Clover.

"I've heard their new album and it sounds like they're doing good things," he said.

Clover has been together for about five years. The Salt Lake-based group started in 1993, with the release of "Tanglewood." The release of "Sun" in 1995 confirmed Clover's success as its concerts and albums consistently sold out. Between the first two albums, Clover has had four singles reach either the top five or number-one-most-requested status on Salt Lake radio station X96.

Tickets are $9 and are available at the Kingsbury Hall box office, all Albertson's ArtTix locations and the Capitol Theater box office.

Clover's new CD is a reflection of its success

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Clover, a rock and roll band that began in Salt Lake City, has moved out of the local basement and into clubs and concert halls all over the U.S. With 15,000 records sold, Clover is planning to start touring more of the western states.

Although they hate to be compared to other groups, their "emotion-driven alternative rock" started with the sound of Toad the Wet Sprocket. Outside ears usually compare the big voice of their vocals to Eddie Vedder, but they are not influenced by the Seattle grunge.

In 1994, the group finished it's first album, Tanglewood, before ever giving a live concert. They pressed 300 tapes for friends and promos. With the help of Fox, they were able to get the single, Mirror Lake, on the local segment of X 96. The audience loved it and the song was put on the regular rotation.

If the albums keep getting better with more experience, the release of their third album titled, New Grand Silver, should be a success.

The highly anticipated new album will be released at the Kingsbury Hall performance on Nov. 24.

Reeve is back; performs despite physical limits

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Christopher Reeve was an actor for a quarter-century. Then, three years after breaking his neck and still paralyzed from the neck down, he was acting again.

"Just like getting back on a bicycle," he says of his return.

Reeve's comeback project: "Rear Window," which he shot last summer. Daryl Hannah also stars in what is billed as "a modern update" of the story that inspired Alfred Hitchcock's 1954 classic. It airs Sunday at 9 p.m. EST on ABC.

How to judge Reeve's performance apart from his physical limitations? The truth of his portrayal is indisputable, and any able-bodied actor might very well have chosen to play Jason in the same way. Is it valid to credit or criticize Reeve for creative choices imposed on him by the paralysis that another actor in the role would invent?

"I was worried that only acting with my voice and my face, I might not be able to communicate effectively enough to tell the story," Reeve acknowledged. "But I was surprised to find that if I really concentrated, and just let the thoughts happen, that they would read on my face."

An original Christmas tale gives a heartwarming twist to traditional seasonal stories

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"The Forgotten Carols" by Michael McLean is a heartwarming story that portrays the feelings and true meaning of Christmas.

The short story tells of a young nurse, Constance Louise Chamberlain, as she cares for Uncle John, a "senile man" left at home while his family travels around Europe. Ironically, the aging gentleman helps Constance more than she does anything for him, though Constance is emotionally assisted instead of physically.

Uncle John asks Constance, or Connie Lou as he affectionately refers to her, to help trim the Christmas tree with his special case of ornaments. While they decorate, Uncle John helps Connie Lou discover the real Christmas story and the true meaning of the season as he tells a story about the significance of each of his ornaments.

Each ornament's story relates an untold experience, one of the forgotten carols, of the first Christmas — an angel in the choir that announced Christ's birth, a shepherd in the field that holy night, the innkeeper who turned Mary and Joseph away, and a woman who held the Christ child.

It is exciting to see Constance change as her heart is softened and she overcomes her fears and pains, opening up to the love and hope Uncle John tells her about.

The book comes with a CD of songs correlating to each chapter of the story. The songs, also written by McLean, are touching and add another dimension as the book's written verses are put to music.

"The Forgotten Carols" CD and book set is a nice twist on traditional holiday tales, focusing on different aspects of the stories we all know but need to be reminded of.

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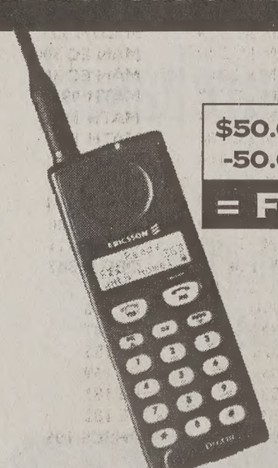

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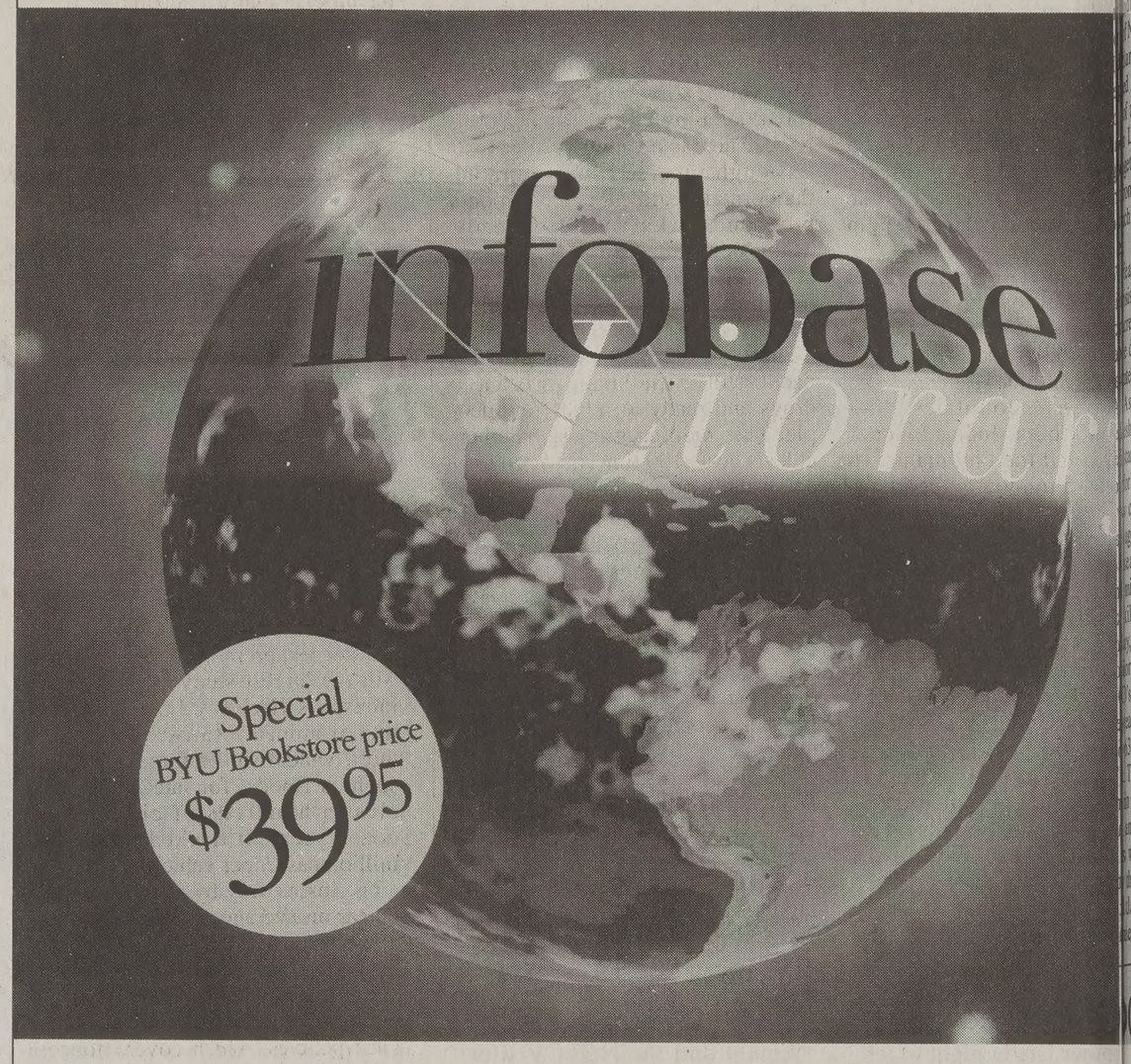

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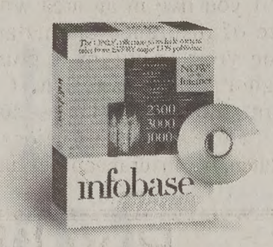

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HO wants TB ntained in Asia

Associated Press

KOK, Thailand — Global c control tuberculosis will s it is contained in Asia, ld Health Organization onday.

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ears that the Asian eco- isis will lower living stan- crease the spread of com- e diseases and lower fund- ute health programs.

Asian countries — sh, China, India, Indone- tan and the Philippines — or 4.5 million of the 8 mil- cases of tuberculosis a gency estimates.

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ar in China, tuberculosis 30,000 people and kills The disease is particularly the impoverished coun- nd among rural migrant who have moved to the he tens of millions.

land urged the Chinese nt to attack the disease "with new vigor" and provide free or subsidized treatment.

China's health minister, Zhang Wenkang, estimated that 40 percent of the rural areas with TB epidemics lack the modern treatment techniques WHO recommends, the official China Daily reported. He called on WHO to provide more funds and technical assistance.

Since 1992, China has improved tuberculosis treatment with assistance from the WHO and the World Bank, Brundtland said in a speech at Tsinghua University.

Globally, nearly 3 million of those who become sick with tuberculosis die every year, making it the worst infectious disease killer among people over 5. Childhood vaccinations for tuberculosis wear off in adulthood. There is no adult vaccine.

Though tuberculosis is curable, the normal treatment is a six-month program of taking medicine daily. Many people, especially the poor, stop taking the medicine after a month or so, once they start feeling better.

That can leave the strongest TB bacilli still in the lungs, resistant to drugs and ready to infect new people. This multidrug-resistant tuberculosis costs 100 times more to treat and usually proves fatal.

The evolution of drug-resistant tuberculosis is converging with the spread of AIDS, which destroys the immune system.

In a report released Monday, the agency said the best hope of curing patients and preventing the spread of drug-resistant tuberculosis was to get sick people to finish their treatment.

The most workable way is called DOTS, or Directly Observed Treatment, Short-course. It means getting someone to watch TB patients take their medication every day and monitor their progress until they are cured.

dule maneuvers prepare for meeting

Associated Press

W — Russian and U.S. ntrollers Monday adjusted of the new international on's first module to pre- rendezvous with another t month.

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in a separate hall in the ling control the Russian space station Mir. Russian space officials had decided to discard the aging Mir next June, but recently said that its life may be extended if they are able to raise funds.

NASA also has been monitoring Zarya from its newly-inaugurated Mission Control Center for the international space station at the Johnson Space Center in Houston.

Zarya's launch was held back for a year because the cash-strapped Russian space agency had failed to meet its obligation on building a crucial follow-up component that would house the crew.

The 41.2-foot Zarya, built for NASA by the Russian Khrunichev company, is designed to serve as a space tugboat in the early stages of the project, providing propulsion, power and communications.

The station, involving 16 nations — the United States and Russia will play the biggest roles, will consist of more than 100 elements that will take 45 assembly flights to complete. It is due to be completed by 2004.

The station will weigh 500 tons and is expected to cost at least $40 billion, with the United States picking up $24 billion of that amount. It will serve as an orbital home for visiting astronauts and cosmonauts for at least 15 years.

The new station will not be inhabitable until at least early 2000, following the launch of the Russian-made crew module which is set to blast off next July or August.

Yeltsin sick, rushed to hospital

Associated Press

MOSCOW — Boris Yeltsin will work out of a hospital room for several days at least, aides said Monday, after the president fell ill with pneumonia — the third time he's been sidelined by sickness in recent weeks.

The latest ailment revived worries about Yeltsin's ability to run a country mired in economic troubles. But his condition wasn't serious enough to stop him from meeting with Chinese President Jiang Zemin in the Central Clinical Hospital.

Russian TV networks showed the two leaders sharing a joke in a reception room and Yeltsin, dressed in a sweater, did not look particularly ill.

The 67-year-old president was rushed to the hospital Sunday with pneumonia and a temperature of 102 degrees, the Kremlin said Monday. He was being treated with antibiotics.

Yeltsin's condition "hasn't worsened, but it hasn't improved either," and he still has a slight temperature, presidential spokesman Dmitry Yakushkin said on Russia's NTV television Monday night.

The president has rarely been seen in public recently, fueling speculation he is seriously ill. He fell sick in October during a state visit to central Asia with what was described as a respiratory ailment. He was taken ill again a few weeks later with what doctors described as high blood pressure and exhaustion.

Since then the Kremlin appears to have been taking little chance with the president's health, ensuring he has frequent medical checks and keeping his schedule to a minimum.

Yeltsin has repeatedly insisted he will serve out his term, which ends in 2000. Under the Russian constitution, the prime minister takes over for three months if the president dies or is incapacitated.

Yakushkin said Yeltsin would likely cancel meetings with foreign visitors this month, but will continue to meet Russian officials at the hospital.

"His doctors were not delighted that he decided to meet Jiang," Yakushkin said. He wouldn't say how long Yeltsin would stay in the hospital, but added that treatment for pneumonia usually takes 8-10 days.

"It happened rather suddenly," Yakushkin said, adding that Yeltsin was distressed "emotionally and psychologically" by the Friday slaying of prominent liberal lawmaker Galina Starovoitova, a former Yeltsin aide.

Also Monday, a top Kremlin aide was quoted by the Interfax news agency as saying presidential power could be turned over to Prime Minister Yevgeny Primakov.

"It may happen at any moment, that the premier may take over presidential duties for at least three months," said Natalia Savyolova, a spokeswoman to Oleg Sysuyev, Yeltsin's first deputy chief of staff.

Savyolova said her remarks were unrelated to the president's latest illness. Primakov said he was not assuming any extra powers and the government was working normally.

The Clinton administration wished Yeltsin a speedy recovery. White House spokesman Joe Lockhart extended the good wishes on Clinton's behalf in Hawaii, where Air Force One had stopped for refueling en route to Washington.

Yeltsin's health problems have forced him to cancel several foreign visits this fall. Dutch Queen Beatrix on Monday postponed a visit to Russia planned for this week because of Yeltsin's condition.

Opposition leaders and a growing number of centrist politicians have questioned whether Yeltsin can fulfill his duties and there has been growing speculation about early elections.

Auto insurance

Identical cars pay varying premiums from city to city

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Auto insurance premiums vary by $200 or more for identical cars in different cities, a study by the insurance industry said. Drivers in cities with high auto theft rates — such as Miami, New York City or Newark, N.J. — generally pay the steepest premiums.

In the largest study of its kind, the industry's Highway Loss Data Institute examined insurance losses from theft, vandalism or forces of nature, such as floods, for late-model vehicles in hundreds of cities over a dozen years. It tracked losses on 3 million passenger vehicles.

The losses vary by as much as $250 a year on average per registered vehicle from city to city. Insurers say that cost generally is passed on to consumers in higher premiums on the comprehensive portion of their insurance policies, which covers noncollision damage. Thefts are the biggest single type of dollar loss.

Miami, a city with a large number of auto theft claims, had comprehensive losses at $286 per vehicle in the last three years; theft was $224 of that loss. In the New York-Newark, N.J., area, where theft losses peaked several years ago, comprehensive losses remain generally high at $168.

The national average for comprehensive losses per insured vehicle was $83.

The theft trends have shown up in what people pay for comprehensive insurance.

For instance, a Miami resident with a good driving record could get insurance on the comprehensive section of a policy for a 1997 Ford Taurus or Honda Accord for $278 a year with State Farm.

In comparison, Roanoke, Va., a top 10 city for the least amount of noncollision insurance losses, had an average loss of just $39 per insured vehicle. A Roanoke resident with a good driving record could get comprehensive insurance with State Farm for a 1997 Taurus or Accord for $52 — one-fifth the cost of the Miami resident.

"If you live in an area with a high rate of insurance claims and theft, then your premium is going to be higher," said Dave Hurst of State Farm, the nation's largest auto insurer. "There are big variations in comprehensive insurance rates and part of that is geographical. Also, how much the car is worth has a lot to do with it."

The highest losses in the past three years belonged not to one of the nation's biggest cities but Grand Forks, N.D., which was ground zero for last year's massive flooding when the Red River broke its banks. There, the comprehensive losses averaged a chart-topping $315.

However, North Dakota's flood, something unlikely to be repeated often, probably will not be reflected in the region's auto insurance rates; insurers tend to draw up their rates based on a region's history over many years. A Grand Forks resident, for example, could get comprehensive insurance for the Taurus or Honda with State Farm for $109.

Ranked second in losses was Miami. Over the 12-year span, the losses per vehicle skyrocketed in Miami to $286 from $69 in 1985, while losses in many Texas cities declined sharply, especially in Houston — from $139 to $56. Texas has an extensive auto-theft prevention program.

Law enforcement officers and insurers say cities with large ports, such as Miami and New York, are vulnerable to auto theft because stolen vehicles are increasingly being shipped overseas. The cars stolen for shipment are usually expensive luxury vehicles, while those going across the Mexican border, another hot spot, are usually sport utility vehicles or pickups, officials said.

"There is a pattern of geographic theft losses associated with port cities. Shipments of stolen vehicles overseas is driving this trend," said Kim Hazelbaker, senior vice president of the Highway Loss Data Institute.

Twenty years ago, more than 90 percent of stolen autos were recovered by authorities, said Ed Sparkman at the National Insurance Crime Bureau. Now one-third — roughly 450,000 vehicles — disappear permanently and up to half are being shipped to Europe, Latin America, the Orient or elsewhere, officials said.

Only 1 percent of stolen autos shipped overseas are caught at the port, U.S. Customs officials said. Most are confiscated at the ports of Newark, Miami, Jacksonville and Port Everglades, Fla., and Los Angeles-Long Beach.

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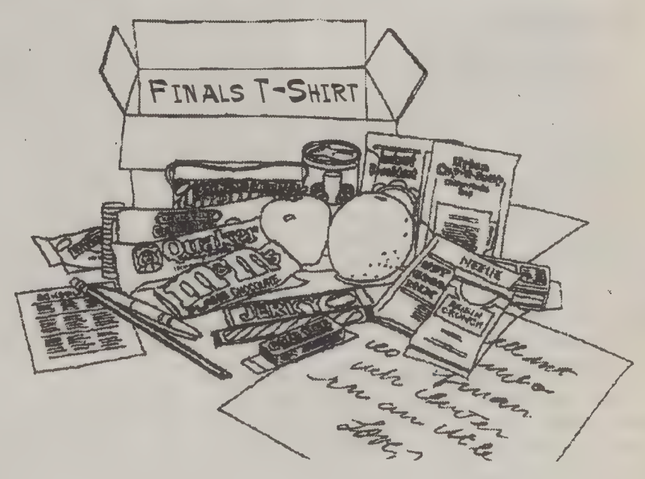

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Women lose title to Wildcats

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NewsNet Sports Writer

Prior to the cross country national championships, BYU's women's head coach Patrick Shane said Villanova was the best cross country team in the nation, on paper.

The Wildcats proved what BYU's head coach suspected by winning the women's cross country national championship in Lawrence, Kan. on Monday, defeating the defending national champion, BYU.

But not by much.

Villanova's victory came by a tight four point margin over the top-ranked Cougars. The Wildcats finished with 106 points, while BYU followed up with 110. Stanford made things interesting, running for a 111-point, third-place score.

"To have the top three teams separated by five points is pretty remarkable," Shane said.

Coming in second was a first for BYU this season after dominating the competition in each of its meets. The team, however, was pleased with its follow-up performance to last year's title run, Shane said.

"They gave their all, and it didn't happen," Shane said. "But second place is all right. It's a lot better than third."

Senior Maggie Chan, sophomore Sharolyn Shields and freshman Laura Heiner turned in strong performances and received All-American honors for their efforts. Chan, who became the first Cougar ever to post a seventh place finish at nationals, completed a stellar season with a time of 17:14.

Chan attributed her strong performance to both positive thinking and the support of friends and teammates. On the final 500-meter stretch, Chan received a dose of motivation from her roommates, who were waiting near the finish line, she said.

"I just told myself, you're going to surprise everyone," Chan said. "I just tried to convince myself and try my hardest."

The Cougar effort was also bolstered by a thirteenth place overall finish from Shields. According to Shane, Shields turned in her best collegiate performance at Monday's race.

"Sharolyn ran the best race of her life," Shane said. "That was a huge race for her."

The course, which had no shortage of hills, was a perfect fit for Shields. The sophomore said she made her move on some of the more difficult inclines and actually passed her teammate Chan along the way.

"It was like someone else was moving my legs, because I was so tired," Shields said.

BYU followed up with junior Elizabeth Jackson (36th), senior Courtney Meldrum (48th), junior Kara Ormond (67th) and sophomore Tara Haynes (77th).

Following the race, Shane said he was pleased with the effort of the entire team.

"We feel like we ran the best race we could today," he said. "

Susie Sweetland/Daily Universe

Two members of the BYU women's cross country team run drills on the outdoor track Sept. 24. The defending national champion Cougars lost to Villanova on Monday in Lawrence, Kan.

Y left swimming in loss

By WAYNE ARBALLO
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BYU's women swimmers suffered their first loss of the season this weekend as the nation's sixth ranked women's swim team, U.C. Berkeley, pulled out a victory against the Cougars 162-134.

Although sixth-ranked Berkeley swam strong in all events, the Berkeley swimmers still failed to match the speed of the Cougar sprinters.

BYU junior Hannalee Hawkins won the 50- and 100-yard freestyle races and helped the Cougars win the 200-yard freestyle relay. All-American Sarah McKeever finished second in the 500-yard freestyle for the Cougars.

"We were just a little flat," BYU coach Stan Crump said. "But it was a good trip. A good chance for us to see great swimming. They swam pretty well against us, and overall, I thought it was a good experience."

Both Berkeley and BYU sent their divers to compete in the Trojan Diving Invitational at the University of Southern California.

The USC invitational showcased some of the nation's top collegiate diving programs, including, USC, UCLA, Stanford, UCSD, UC Irvine, Fresno State, Air Force and the University of Texas at Austin.

Even though the Cougars were surrounded by divers from the country's top programs, they preformed well at the diving competition.

BYU's Rachelle Smith placed second out of a field of 39 in the women's 3-meter springboard and seventh in the 1 meter. Jessica Nye placed ninth in the 3-meter springboard and 19th in the 1 meter. And Laurel Eldridge claimed 11th in the 3 meter and 13th in the 1 meter.

The men also left an impression on the talented field of divers. BYU's Justin Beardall finished in fifth place in the men's 3-meter springboard followed by Matt Dhal in ninth and Virag Patil in 11th place.

BYU's men's and women's teams travel next to the Speedo Cup Invitational at Long Beach Dec. 3-5.

Tigers tear apart men's b-ball

By AARON SHILL
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The BYU men's basketball team apparently forgot head coach Steve Cleveland's game plan for the Auburn Tigers: protect the ball and avoid falling behind.

The Cougars did neither in their 62-43 road loss Monday to a more physical and athletic South Eastern Conference opponent.

For the second game in a row, BYU posted an ugly number in the turnover column with 24 give-always. But unlike Thursday's game against Weber State, the Cougars did not take advantage of the opportunities they had, shooting a paltry 32 percent for the game.

"That's not good enough on the road," Cleveland said. "You have to make jump shots."

Surprisingly, BYU stayed close for most of the game with a solid defensive and rebounding effort, according to Cleveland. Despite scoring only 15 first half points, BYU was only down seven to an Auburn team that had its own struggles on the offensive end.

The Tigers, however, started the second half with a 15-5 run, capped off with a three pointer by Auburn guard Scott Pohlman. After falling behind 37-20, the Cougars never made a serious threat to pull closer.

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WASHINGTON — M and two men he is ac assaulting have agreed dispute stemming from traffic accident.

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The men accused punching and kicking th ing a minor traffic acci 31 involving Tyson's w ca, in the Washington Gaithersburg, Md.

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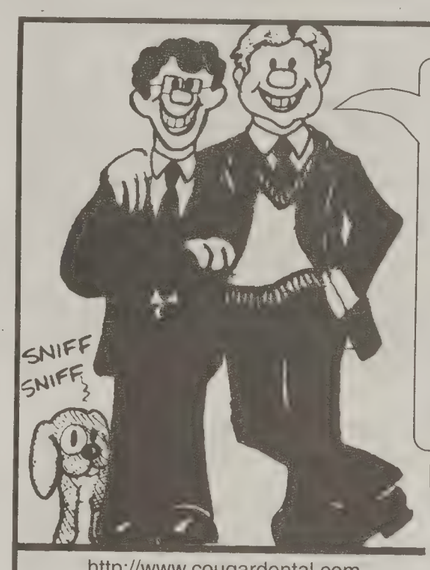

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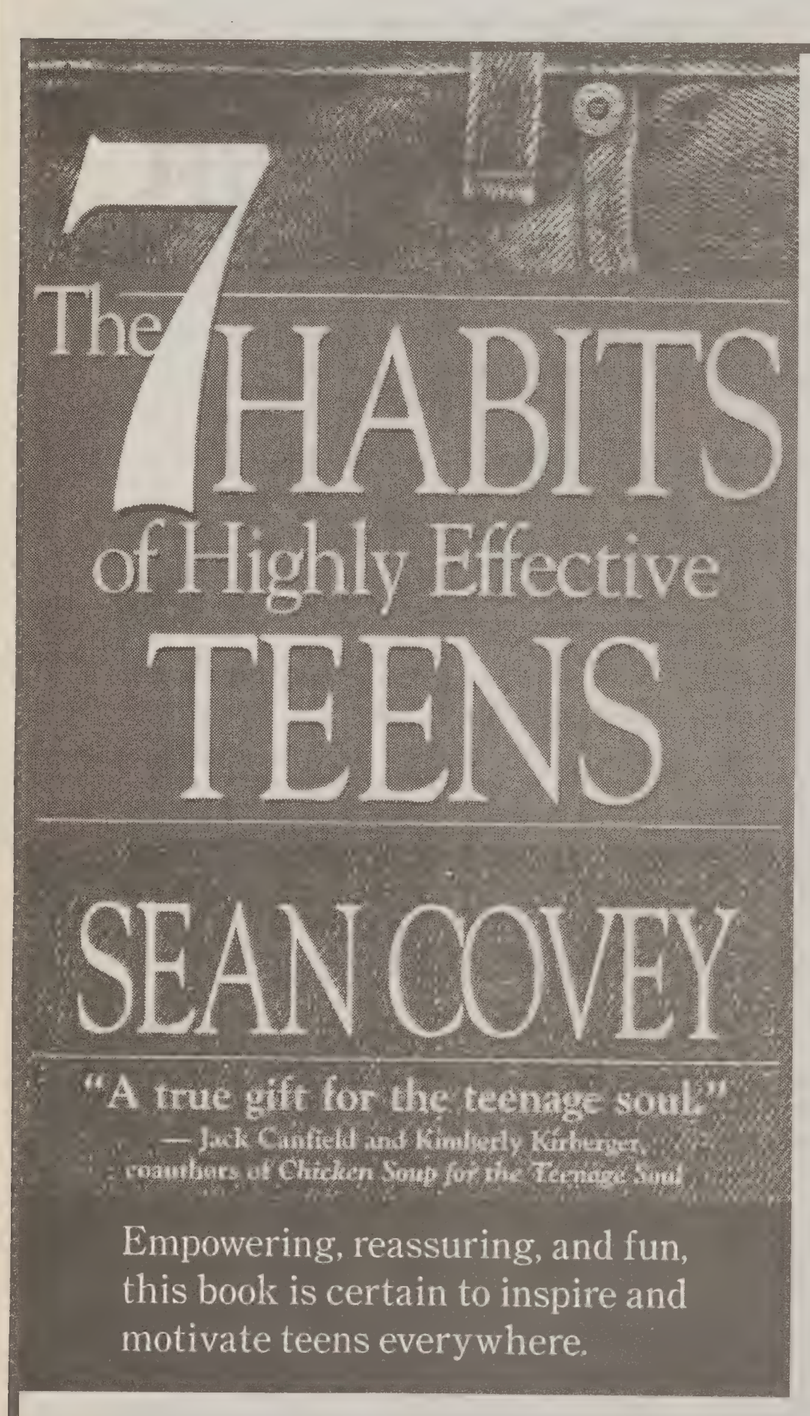
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...men's golf gets early start on regionals

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...completed its fall season, the BYU ...olf team has now set its sights on the ...t Regional Tournament in Albuquerque, ...May. To get there, however, it will need ...m the four tournaments its played in so ...

...ry Howard said the team has made some ...improvement.

...ve've made progress with every tourna... played in," Howard said. "We had a lot ...al successes in the fall as well. Everyone ...more competitive."

...lly, Howard is referring to freshman Car...rhays. She came in as one of four fresh... team and led the Cougars with four top... in as many tournaments.

...ened the season at home, hosting the ...ational at Hobble Creek Golf Course in ... In her first tournament as a collegiate golfer, Summerhays nabbed eighth place helping the Cougars place sixth overall in a field of 14.

At the Dick McGuire Invitational in Albuquerque, N.M., BYU finished 11th of 17 teams, most of which were in the preseason top 25.

Senior Jaime Stevenson had her best outing of the fall shooting a 78-73-75 — 226, to place seventh amidst some of the top golfers in the nation.

Summerhays raced back into the top 10 at the Northwest Invitational in Corvallis, Ore., shooting a 74-77-74 — 225. The Cougars ended up eighth of 13 teams.

At one of the more coveted traveling tournaments for the Cougars, BYU flew to Hawaii for the 18-team Princeville Fall Classic.

BYU placed 11th overall and was led, once again, by Summerhays. She carded a 74-73-73 — 220, her best score of the young season and took eighth place, eight shots behind the tournament winner.

As far as what to work on for the coming semester, Howard said the team will need to improve its putting and its consistency.

"We always have a goal of reaching regionals. It's going to be a lot harder this year than in any year in the past," Howard said.

"Everybody can always putt a little better. Individually, we're just trying to get everybody consistently shooting in the 70's. If that happens, everything else will take care of itself."

Summerhays said her contribution will be as simple as ever.

"I'm just thinking, 'I hope I can play well next season,'" Summerhays said.

"I just want to make my score count. That's all anybody's role is, to play (well) and help the team."

Sophomore Sunny Pendleton said the season thus far has been a learning experience.

"I learned stuff about my game I hadn't thought of before. I focus more on the small things... it makes you more accurate," Pendleton said.

"I think we had a pretty good fall for being such a young team."

The Cougars now take a break from collegiate competition until they resume tournament play at the Pepperdine Invitational in Malibu, Calif., Feb 16-17.

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...sion president James Dolan, ...her is chairman of the com... ... Sunday he would not com... ...rumors or speculation." He ...evision "maintains an active ...n the future of our relation... ... Mr. Steinbrenner and the ...

...sion also controls the NBA's ...k Knicks and the NHL's ...k Rangers, and Steinbrenner wouldn't address rumors Dolan would give him operating control of those franchises, too.

"I can't answer that," Steinbrenner told the Times. "He has organizations set up. I don't want to ruffle anyone's feelings."

Steinbrenner owns 59 percent of the Yankees, but controlling owners in many instances own a very small percentage of teams. A deal that values the Yankees at $550 million to $600 million would make it the most expensive North American sports franchise and the second-most in the world. Rupert Murdoch is negotiating to take over the English soccer team Manchester United for about $1 billion.

Earlier this year, Murdoch paid $311 million for the Los Angeles Dodgers, and Alfred Lerner paid $530 million last month for the rights to an NFL expansion team in Cleveland.

Charles Dolan and his brother, Larry, were finalists for the NFL team with a bid of $500 million. Earlier, Charles Dolan became a major player in sports with the purchase of Madison Square Garden, which owns the Knicks and Rangers.

Part of that purchase included Madison Square Garden Network, which holds broadcast rights to the Yankees in a 12-year, $486 million deal that expires after two more seasons. By purchasing the team, Cablevision assures itself of retaining those rights, a major asset for the network.

Cablevision, the country's sixth largest cable company, also owns Radio City Music Hall, a chain of New York City home appliance stores and the Broadway show "The Scarlet Pimpernel."

Steinbrenner, 68, led a group that paid $10 million to purchase the Yankees from CBS in 1973. He has seen the value of the team zoom, particularly with two World Series championships in the last three years and a record 125 victories last season.

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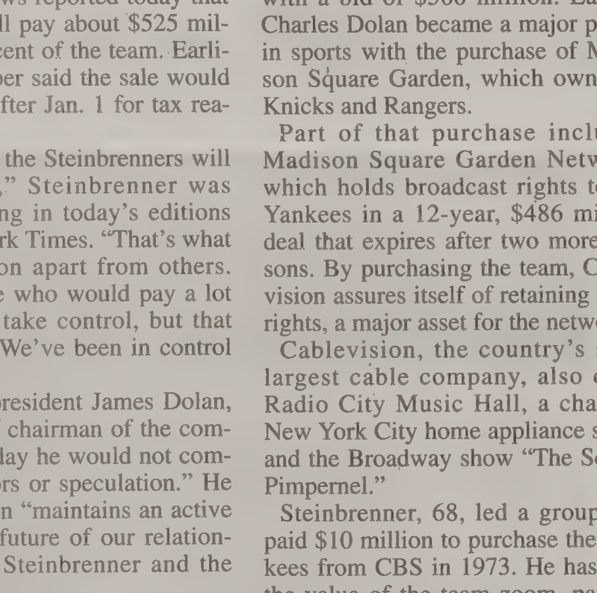

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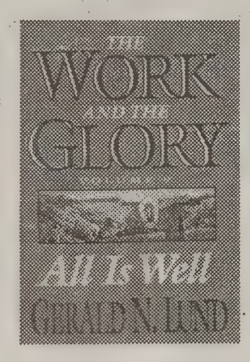

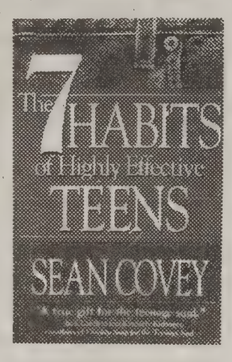

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BYU's Owen Pochman practices kicking field goals at the BYU football practice field Nov. 4. Pochman is ranked No. 15 in the nation in field goals per game and has converted 18 field goals on 23 attempts. Pochman has 94 points this year.

Pressure's on, but Y kicker loves it

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In football, place-kickers often operate under a lot of pressure, despite making short appearances on the field. However, place-kicker Owen Pochman enjoys his role and is quickly becoming one of the most successful kickers in BYU football history.

Pochman was the antithesis of Utah place-kicker Ryan Kaneshiro on Saturday, hitting four field goals on five attempts from beyond 40 yards and scoring 14 of BYU's 26 points.

"Whenever you can make your kicks, that's great," Pochman said. "But the offense got me there. They moved the ball really well just to give me the chance to do something. I just want to help the team. I'm a kicker, but I like to think of myself as a football player sometimes. So it's just nice when you can help everybody out."

The left-footed kicker from Mercer Island, Wash., is third on BYU's season scoring list with 94 points. One more field goal will move Pochman to second behind his brother Ethan, who had 123 points in 1996.

"The guy is an outstanding kicker. He's about as good as we've had," BYU head football coach LaVell Edwards said.

Earlier this year, Pochman hit his 62nd consecutive extra point, breaking a school record previously held by his brother. After missing an attempt at his 63rd straight PAT, Pochman has hit six straight to start a new streak.

"A PAT is something you owe to your team to make it every time," Pochman said. "I plan on not missing one for the rest of my career."

Pochman credits much of his success this year to holder Jesse Sowards.

"Jesse used to be a baseball player, an all-state fullback, and he has really good hands," Pochman said. "At the beginning of the season, I said I wanted Jesse ... and the entire (year), no matter where the snap is, he gets it down. He definitely kept my PAT streak alive for as long as it went."

Pochman said he wouldn't have minded sharing the PAT record with his brother and even joked about taking the record-breaking kick with his right foot.

"I wouldn't mind sharing the record with him. Then maybe my brother and I could be, like, next to each other for the same thing," he said.

Cougar fans best remember Ethan for his clutch performance and game winning field goal against Wyoming in the inaugural WAC Championship game in 1996. Following his older brother to BYU has helped Owen succeed at his game.

"I like how people use us in the same breath," Pochman said. "Seven or eight years ago, we were just these soccer players. My mom grew up in Provo, and my grandparents were die-hard BYU fans, but never in a million years did we think we would start some BYU kicking dynasty. It's a cool thing. It's a really cool thing."

Pochman's statistical resume is impressive. He has become one of the most effective kickers in the WAC. After Saturday's game, Pochman is ranked 15th in the nation in field goals per game and has hit 18 field goals on 23 attempts this year.

Pochman said his job as a kicker can be tough at times, especially waiting and waiting and waiting on the sidelines for an opportunity to kick.

"You can work as hard as you want in practice, but it just comes down to that one second where you kick the ball."

BYU kicking coach Chris Pella has helped both Ethan and Owen Pochman with a basic formula for place-kickers.

"I really preach that there's a point where you have to visualize it," Pella said. "You practice it, you put yourself in, then you've just got to turn it over to your body and let your body do it. You're not going to think the ball through, that's the worst thing you can do."

And thinking is definitely one thing Pochman tries to ignore while he's on the field.

"If you try and think about things more, you will screw up," he said. "When you don't think about the kick, that's when you hit the ball well."

Unlike many kickers, Pochman doesn't mind talking about the streak and is quick to admit when missing a kick is his fault.

"I'm hard on myself if I miss any kick," he said, adding that he kicked himself for five days after missing the 28-yard PAT that ended his streak.

Pochman said he always wanted to try football as a youth, but his size prevented it.

"Ever since the seventh or eighth grade, I was always just an athlete and liked playing football with friends. I was really small and played so much soccer, I couldn't do it."

However, several years later, Pochman decided he would try place kicking during his senior year of high school.

"When I kicked my senior year, it was right when I was playing in my soccer season. It was weird; I didn't even have time to think about it. I just put on pads and started kicking the ball just the way I kicked soccer balls. I was pretty raw in my form."

But Pochman has come a long way since he first began kicking.

"Right now, I just want to help BYU win the WAC Championship."

Atlanta signs Jordan; outfielder comes ho

Associated Press

ATLANTA — The Atlanta Braves, changing the face of their team after another postseason flop, agreed Monday to a $40 million, five-year contract with outfielder Brian Jordan.

Jordan, who played for the St. Louis Cardinals this year and became a free agent, also was courted by the New York Mets, New York Yankees and Baltimore Orioles.

But, when the Braves met his asking price, he couldn't resist the urge to play in his adopted home. Jordan was with the NFL's Atlanta Falcons from 1989-91 and still lives in suburban Stone Mountain.

"That was the deciding factor," he said after an evening news conference at Turner Field, where he was flanked by wife, Pam, and their children, daughter Brianna, 7, and son, Bryson, 4. "I wanted to be here with my kids. They're at an age where daddy needs to be home with them."

The Braves signed Jordan less than two weeks after making a big deal with Cincinnati. Atlanta sent pitcher Denny Neagle, right fielder Michael Tucker and a minor-leaguer to the Reds for All-Star second baseman Bret Boone and pitcher Mike Remlinger.

By trading Tucker, the Braves created a gaping void in the outfield and immediately set their sights on Jordan. In the final season of a $6.5 million, two-year contract, he hit .316 with 25 homers for the Cardinals, both career highs. He also had 91 RBIs and 17 stolen bases.

The deal calls for him to get a $3 million signing bonus, $4 million next season, $7 million in 2000, $8.5 million in 2001, $6 million in 2002 and $9 million in 2003.

Atlanta has a $10.5 million option for 2004 with a $2.5 million buyout. If the option is exercised, Jordan would get $48 million over six seasons. There are no trade limitations in the deal.

"I have always respected the Braves to the utmost," Jordan said. "This is a great organization. They're committed to winning year after year. I want to win."

The Braves had the highest payroll in the National Leagu ($61.8 million) and al committed more than $6 next season with only 13 ers.

"We have a team tha ways, is in its prime," sa Stan Kasten. "As long as prime, we're going to k away at this rate.

"When this runs out, w and do something diffe think we can keep this ph the next three to five year

The 31-year-old Jo Atlanta another potent ba that already produced a record 215 homers. The have six players — Andre (44), Javy Lopez (34), C (34), Andruw Jones (31), and Jordan — who e homers in 1998.

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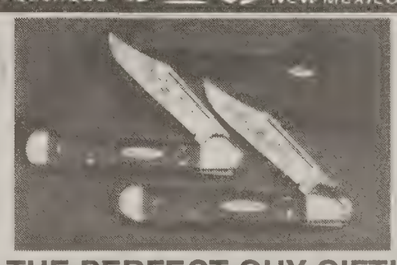

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Good times abound as Broncos chase perfection

Associated Press

This is how good things are in Denver: On the same day John Elway became one of only two quarterbacks in NFL history to throw for 50,000 yards, all he wanted to talk about was the pass he caught.

It came off a flea-flicker from Rod Smith on the opening play of the second quarter Sunday against Oakland. The moment Elway caught the ball in the open field, putting his 38-year-old, franchise-saving, several-million-dollar-a-year, just-off-the-injured-list hide squarely in the jaws of danger, you held your breath. And in the moment after that, you wondered what Broncos coach Mike Shanahan was thinking when he called the play.

"I got hit pretty good," Elway said. "But I still can't believe the guy caught me."

In Shanahan's defense, former Denver coach Dan Reeves (now in Atlanta) called Elway's number as a receiver on a few previous occasions — but the last time was seven years ago. Back then, Elway running loose in an open field still presented a nightmare for defenders. Now, the only people scared by the sight are his wife and kids, his orthopedist, his coaches and maybe the receiver who makes the pass and risks becoming the answer to a trivia question. (Who threw the last completion of John Elway's career?)

Soon after Oakland defensive back Terry Carter put the brakes on Elway following a 14-yard gain, the quarterback bounced up looking none the worse for wear. Six plays later he erased any doubts, finishing off the drive with a 7-yard touchdown pass to Shannon Sharpe that put Denver ahead 10-0. The Raiders made it a game one last time at 17-14 in the third quarter, only to have Elway respond by leading the Broncos to 23 unanswered points and their 11th win without a loss this season.

Elway has been adding admirers since he began playing in 1983 and Sunday was no different. It marked the first time Oakland rookie Charles Woodson, who was at Michigan posing for the Heisman Trophy at about this time last year, got his first look at Elway. And it was more up close and personal than he probably cared to admit.

The Broncos played and beat the Raiders the third week of the season, but Elway left that one with a hamstring pull in the second quarter. After watching him complete passes over, under and around him — 17 of 25, for 197 yards and three touchdowns — this time, Woodson was unusually succinct.

"John Elway was John Elway," he said. "Just what you would expect."

And therein lies the answer to why Shanahan let the old man catch the pass, why he let Elway play two weeks after a ribcage injury that would keep some quarterbacks out for a month. Especially an aging quarterback whose unbeaten team is playing some of the best football of the last few years and hardly needs the lift.

The answer is that Shanahan had no choice.

In the third quarter of last year's Super Bowl, when the score was 17-17 and it was still anybody's game, Elway stepped up. Not in the same way he was already famous for — with a long touchdown drive or a flurry of improbable completions in the closing minutes — but by throwing his body around.

Terrell Davis, the running back whose game has extended Elway's career by at least a season, was still woozy from a hit and Denver's offense had only managed one first down since the first quarter. And so, on third-and-6 from the Packers' 12-yard-line, Elway couldn't find anyone open and took off to his right.

When he got to the 6, three Packer defenders — linebacker Brian Lewis, safeties LeRoy Butler and Mike Prior, a combined 650 pounds of stopping power — had set up a roadblock. Elway set an example by trying to vault over the top. He didn't get to the end zone, but soon after the Broncos did.

Shanahan says little, but he learns fast. Upon his arrival in Denver four seasons ago, he installed a quarterback-friendly offense to prevent just those kinds of heroics.

He wanted Elway to throw shorter passes, hand off more, do less on his own and last longer. The night he watched Elway launch himself at three Packers is the same night Shanahan became convinced that a little recklessness goes a long way with John.

It might also have provided a little extra buzz for Shanahan. Fired as the Raiders head coach in 1989, he is 7-1 against them since moving to Denver.

The last question left for this Denver team is whether it can go unbeaten and match the 1972 Dolphins' perfect run through the NFL. With Elway back, all the pieces are in place.

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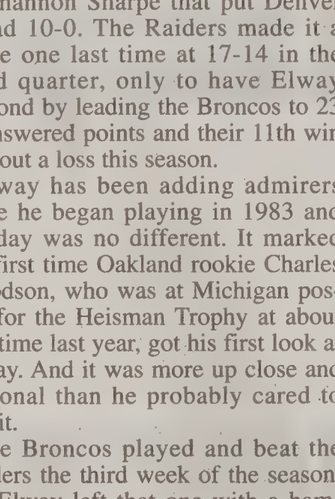

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Two of the boys, including Sammy's brother, Troy, 10, escaped from the back of the van and ran into the house to get help.

West Valley City police Lt. Charles Illsley said firefighters found the van fully engulfed in flames when they arrived just after 6 p.m.

Sammy's grandfather, Lonnie McDaniel, said the boy was "a very special little boy, a good little angel. He was playful and lovable and sweet."

His great aunt, Vonza Sleeter, said the little boy who turned 9 four days ago was "a funny little kid. He will really be missed."

Late Sunday evening, small groups of neighbors walked the street holding hands and consoling each other about the death. Sammy McDaniel was declared dead on the scene.

It was the second tragedy in three months involving children and vehicles in this Salt Lake suburb. In August, five young girls died of heat stroke when they were accidentally trapped in the trunk of a car on a 96-degree day.

It was also the second fire to claim young lives in recent months. In September, 7- and 10-year-old brothers died after playing with matches and a cigarette lighter in a storage shed in Roy.

Laws bar halfway house

Associated Press

PROVO — Utah County will never have a halfway house for adult ex-convicts unless zoning laws are changed, according to an attorney representing a couple who wants to set one up in Utah Valley.

But unless residents' attitudes change regarding halfway houses, John Updike said, zoning laws won't.

Updike represents Darrel and Gina Finck of Prayer Mountain Ministries Inc., who want to set up a halfway house in Utah County similar to one they operate in California.

"There's all kinds of places we could do this. We need about three to five acres. We can use a large home, an old motel," Darrel Finck said. "It's the lack of zoning that's stopping us. The grazing and mining zones are way out there with no access. It just wouldn't work."

Zoning ordinances don't allow such a facility in Utah County cities or within the unincorporated area, which means it would not be accessible to mass transportation, Updike told Utah County mayors last week during the monthly Council of Governments meeting.

The Provo attorney said halfway house residents would need access to transportation since the purpose of the facility is to help former prisoners find jobs and work their way back into life.

Currently, 50 percent of the men released from jail or prison return to crime within the first year, and 70 percent return within three years on new criminal charges.

However, Finck said, inmates who spend the first six months in a halfway house have a 90 percent success rate staying out of jail.

Provo Mayor Lewis Billings said what the Fincks are asking is tough because people are afraid of allowing such facilities near their neighborhoods.

"I'm having trouble just selling the concept of low-income housing in my city," said Springville Mayor Hal Wing. "The neighbors are complaining."

But Wing said he believes if the public understood the value of supporting a halfway house, there wouldn't be as much opposition.

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Officials examine LDS history site

Associated Press

GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. — An environmental assessment undertaken by park officials will help them decide the fate of a group of buildings marking a settlement of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The environmental assessment of Mormon Row is due by early next year, said Mike Johnson, cultural resources specialist for the park.

While the report will list options ranging from demolition of the buildings to complete restoration, Johnson hopes the site will be preserved and used to tell visitors about the LDS settlers that lived there.

Volunteers and contractors have already done work to preserve buildings that were deteriorating.

"It's Grand Teton's gift to the new millennium: the preservation of the American homestead," Johnson said.

He said one possibility is opening Mormon Row to the public in the year 2000 as an official interpretive historic site.

The first LDS pioneer settled the site in 1896. The settlement grew as the Gros Ventre Township, but was more commonly known as Mormon Row.

Most of the families left in the 1950s, finding the purchase offers made by the Park Service more attractive than the hard work it took to extract a living from their farms and ranches.

Today most of the buildings have been lost. Some were left to deteriorate and others were torn down. The Park Service intended to return the area to its natural state.

"I think now they finally see the benefit of keeping all of that," said Betty Gardner, who was born in a home on Mormon Row in 1937 and lived there until she was 20. "They've lost a lot of history by letting that deteriorate."

There are still two complete complexes of buildings along Mormon Row and three other partial homesteads.

Geothermal power plants may help clean energy issue

Associated Press

MEDICINE LAKE, Calif. — About a mile below the surface of California's little-traveled northeast corner lies a reservoir of 450-degree water, steam and traces of potentially toxic chemicals, resting like a pressure cooker on a hot plate of molten rock.

This geothermal fluid could be used to provide clean energy to 100,000 households in California, Oregon and Washington if two utilities have their way.

Geothermal power plants also could bring economic opportunities to an area suffering from timber cutbacks. But the landscape around Medicine Lake in the Modoc National Forest — so forbidding that NASA used it to prepare astronauts for the surface of the moon — also is just south of where the bloodiest Indian war in California's history was fought in the late 1800s.

The American Indians haven't forgotten those battles. And despite two years of research and $5 million spent on environmental impact statements showing few adverse effects, they're not about to allow energy plants on their sacred lands without a fight.

"When we use these areas, we introduce ourselves to our relatives — rock, trees, water, air, the four-legged ones, the winged ones," said Jerald Jackson, a 60-year-old Modoc tribal leader from Klamath Falls, Ore.

"And when they put geothermal plants in there, it will destroy our relatives, and it will be very difficult to have a ceremony," he said.

Calpine of San Jose, which operates one of Lake County's plants, is proposing the $120 million, 50-megawatt geothermal plant three miles north of Medicine Lake in the Modoc National Forest in far eastern Siskiyou County. The world's largest geothermal producer, CalEnergy Co. of Omaha, Neb., plans a separate $100-million-plus plant less than two miles from the lake.

Both companies are confident they can convert the boiling water into electricity without harming the environment or hurting sacred Indian sites.

"It is very simple, very standard and we have done this all around the world," said Dale Schuster, a CalEnergy project development manager.

"Geothermal costs more, but it is far cleaner than coal-burning power plants," adds Calpine Vice President Peter Camp.

For that reason, the California Energy Commission subsidizes geothermal development and has promised each company $20 million if they get their facilities up and running.

The U.S. Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service have preliminarily approved Calpine's power plant, while CalEnergy is about eight months behind in the federal and state review processes. Both companies want to drill wells as early as spring.

The projects could pump $3 million a year in property taxes and royalties into the county's $63 million general fund. Between 250 and 300 construction workers would be hired in rural Siskiyou County, where unemployment can reach 18 percent in the winter.

While both companies vow to have minimal environmental impacts, there's no avoiding the eyesore of steam plumes rising from the cooling towers, or the 24 miles of transmission lines that would connect the plants to the electrical grid.

"It's gotten to such a point now that the problem is not as much over environmental issues as it is about the concerns of Native Americans," said Randall Sharp, who oversees geothermal development in the Modoc National Forest. "We, the federal government, knew the Native American interests were going to be the hardest to mitigate."

Flight attendants threaten to strike

Associated Press

PHOENIX — America West Airlines flight attendants moved one step closer to a strike Monday, which could have devastating effects on the Christmas travel season.

The flight attendants' union asked the federal government Monday to release it from contract negotiations with the airline, claiming last week's talks with America West went nowhere.

The local union president, Bill McGlashen, said the flight attendants do not want to strike during the holidays, but a strike threat was the only way to make negotiations move forward.

"We think that the company's behavior in negotiations last week, the foot dragging and the stalling, is reason enough," McGlashen said. "The second reason is that the only time this company seriously sits down and negotiates is if they have the pressure on them in many, many ways."

McGlashen said the union requested an immediate response from the National Labor Mediation Board on their request that an impasse be declared. It could happen as early as Tuesday, he said.

If declared, a mandatory 30-day cooling-off period follows. Without an agreement in that period, the union is free to strike.

Stephen Johnson, a company spokesperson, said Monday that it is "virtually impossible" for a strike to occur before the holiday season or the Fiesta Bowl, the college national championship football game on Jan. 4.

"(Passengers) can with absolute confidence book America West during holiday travel," Johnson said.

He said the airline is confident the board will not declare an impasse before next week's negotiations because talks are progressing and money issues still need to be discussed.

Johnson said pay and per diem rates will be on the agenda for the Dec. 1-4 talks with a federal mediator in Washington, D.C. If the board waits until those talks, the cooling off period would extend into the new year.

McGlashen, however, said negotiations are deadlocked and the airline has not offered a salary higher than the one in last year's failed tentative agreement.

"There's no progress at all," he said. "Progress would have meant that we would have come to agreement on key sections. That's progress, and we didn't do it last week at all."

On Friday, the American Association of Flight Attendants, which has represented America West's 2,100 flight attendants since 1994, made an offer to settle pay issues with an arbitrator.

The union gave America West until Monday at noon to agree to the arbitration offer before it would seek permission to strike. The airline immediately rejected the offer Friday.

The union wants America West flight attendants to be paid the average of the top 10 airlines. That would increase the top of America West pay scale from $21,972 to $32,724.

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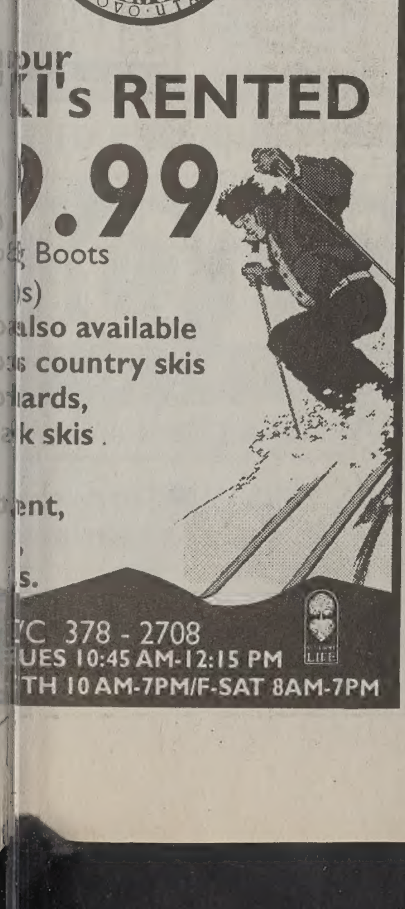

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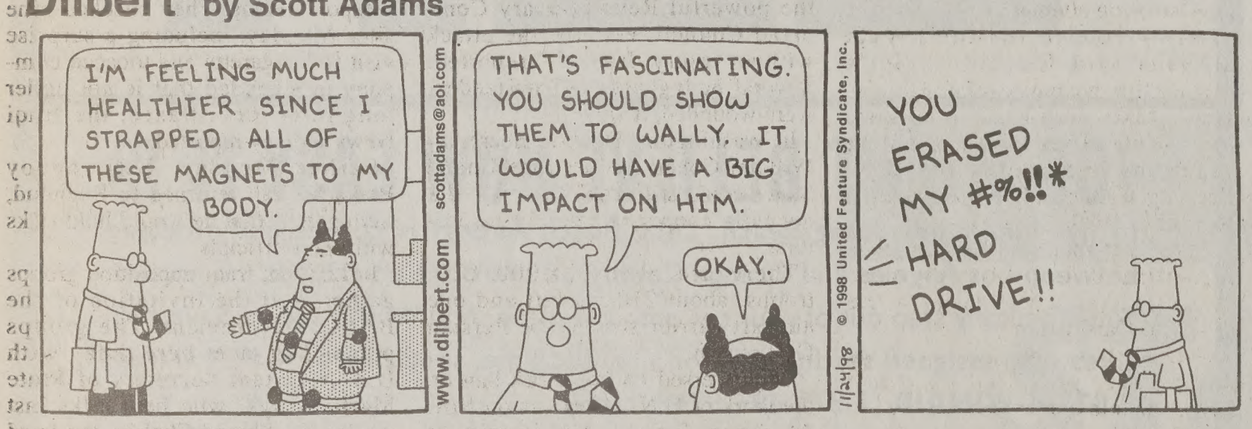
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Father given 10 years for daughter's death

Associated Press

TORONTO — Reversing a lenient lower-court sentence, an appeals court Monday ruled a Saskatchewan farmer must serve at least 10 years in prison for killing his severely disabled daughter in what he contended was an act of mercy.

The legal defeat for Robert Latimer was the latest twist in a wrenching five-year case that has split public opinion across Canada.

Latimer was convicted last year of second-degree murder for the 1993 killing of his 12-year-old daughter, Tracy, who suffered from severe cerebral palsy.

The judge in the murder trial provoked a national furor by refusing to impose the mandatory life sentence with no chance of parole for 10 years. Instead, invoking a rarely used exemption, he sentenced Latimer to serve one year in a provincial jail and a second year confined to his farm.

On Nov. 16, Saskatchewan's Court of Appeal upheld the prosecutors' appeal and ruled that the trial judge erred by refusing to impose the mandatory sentence.

Latimer, who has three other children, admitted to killing Tracy by placing her in his pickup truck at the family farm and pumping carbon monoxide into the cab. Tracy had suffered from a severe form of cerebral palsy that left her unable to walk, talk or feed herself.

The girl had endured operations on her back, hips and legs, and her parents believed she faced the prospect of a lifetime of painful surgery.

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> *—Judge Ted Noble*

After convicting Latimer last year, jurors told the trial judge, Ted Noble, that they felt the mandatory sentence was too harsh and recommended Latimer be paroled after one year.

Noble agreed with the jurors, saying the mandatory sentence would in this case be cruel and unusual punishment.

"The evidence establishes Mr. Latimer was motivated solely by his love and compassion for Tracy and the need — at least in his mind — that she should not suffer any more pain," the judge ruled.

Activists for the disabled were infuriated by Noble's ruling, saying it sent a signal that the disabled have less of a right to life than other people.

Latimer was first convicted in the case in 1994, but the Supreme Court threw out that conviction because some jurors had been improperly questioned by police.

Latimer received thousands of letters of support from people across the country who saw him as a loving father who relieved his daughter from a life of misery.

He had been free on his own recognizance pending the outcome of the appeals of last year's trial.

Rooms let public watch surgery

Associated Press

FAIRFAX, Va. — Dr. Alan Spier sawed into the woman's chest. He separated the bone, then sliced through a membrane. Suddenly, a vigorously beating human heart was visible.

About 15 feet above the operating table, 22 students and their parents watched from a room known as The Dome.

"Oh, cool," said some of the students. "Awesome."

At Inova Fairfax Hospital, the public can watch heart surgery. Other hospitals with viewing decks restrict viewing to medical students or special visitors.

"Surgeons get such tunnel vision," said Spier, who pushed to have the special room built. "This is our only consistent touch with lay people."

Among the home-schooled students who came recently from the suburban Washington area for the three-hour triple-bypass operation was Michelle Mitchell, 14. She hopes to become a scientist.

She had seen operations on television and was fascinated by the colors inside the human body: beige, red, purple, brown. The heart looked mostly tan because of a normal covering of fat.

"You can see what the inside of yourself looks like," said Michelle, who used binoculars to get an even closer view.

Most visitors are organized groups, often junior high and high school students from the Washington area. The Dome is often booked months in advance.

Several thousand people a year watch operations, including some former patients who come to see what was done to them. Visits before an operation, however, are discouraged. Relatives of patients are barred.

While the doctor operates, a nurse explains what is happening below.

Lauren Gibson, 14, had worried about getting queasy, but managed. Still, all the cutting and sewing bothered her.

"I used to want to be a doctor, but I think I'll go back to my old vocation of acting or singing," she said.

Arctic cold wave kills 65

Associated Press

BUCHAREST, Romania — An Arctic cold wave and accompanying blizzards have killed at least 65 people throughout Europe, police and media reported Monday.

The weather played a role in at least 24 deaths in Romania and Bulgaria over the past three days. In Poland, 32 people died, most of them homeless or others who passed out in the cold after drinking alcohol, police said.

Temperatures in central and eastern Poland over the weekend were as low as minus 4 degrees. The lowest temperature reported was minus 15 early Sunday in Ostroleka in northeast Poland.

In Romania, at least 21 people died from the cold and in weather-related accidents on snow-covered roads since Friday. Temperatures plunged to 14 early Monday.

About 200 people spent more than 48 hours stranded in their cars after winds whipped snowdrifts across main highways in southern Romania. Army vehicles rescued most drivers, but six people froze to death over the weekend after being trapped in their cars.

Dozens of trains were canceled and 200 communities were reported to be without electricity, the Libertatea newspaper reported Monday. Some 15 major roads were blocked by snowdrifts as high as five feet. Police urged drivers not to travel in snowy areas.

In Bucharest, dozens of cars smashed into other vehicles and skidded in the icy conditions. The Emergency Hospital in Bucharest said it treated 80 people for fractures and frostbite over the weekend.

In France, the death toll from the cold snap rose to six people Monday, three of them homeless men.

Fountains in front of the Eiffel Tower in Paris were completely frozen, and in Mouthe, in eastern France, temperatures fell to minus 6 Monday morning. About 100 homeless people staged a sit-in at the headquarters of the state-run medical assistance service in Paris to demand better protection in winter.

In Italy, the cold was blamed in the deaths of at least three people. A 91-year-old man died Sunday in Calabria, in southern Italy, after he was found unconscious on the floor of his unheated home in Vibo Valentia. In rural Lombardy, a husband and wife were found dead of carbon monoxide poisoning — apparently from a defective heater.

Snow fell Sunday on the island of Capri — the first snowfall in 10 years for the usually sunny southern island — and capped Naples' Mount Vesuvius with up to 16 inches of snow. In the north, temperatures fell as low as -4 degrees at Livigno, and it was 23 degrees in Turin, the coldest since 1988.

In Bulgaria, three people died in the northwestern region of Montana, the daily 24 Chassa reported Monday. Some highways were blocked and some areas were without power, phones and running water.

Britain supports effort to indict Iraqi leaders

Associated Press

LONDON — British officials said Monday they support a campaign to have Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and his top leaders indicted for crimes against humanity.

"I think it is clearly obvious that crimes have been committed by the leadership," said Foreign Office Minister Derek Fatchett after the first of a series of meetings with 16 Iraqi opposition groups. "I think the campaign (for a trial) is a strong one which the international community would support."

Fatchett said he stressed to the often-competing groups that events are moving quickly in Iraq and unity was vital.

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> *—Ferek Fatchett, foreign office minister*

The groups were scheduled to meet with U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Martin Indyk in London today, and Fatchett was to attend.

Fatchett said he advised the opposition leaders to bring specific proposals to today's meeting on how the United States and Britain could help.

Indyk met last week with Ahmed Chalabi, head of Iraqi National Congress, an umbrella opposition group. The U.S. Congress also has approved a $97 million aid package to offer support to Iraqi dissidents.

"It is almost impossible to argue that Iraq without Saddam Hussein would not be a better country," Fatchett said after the meeting. "A change of regime ... would have to better for the ordinary people of Iraq."

Fatchett said his focus was to find common ground among the opposition groups so that "if and when there is a change of regime in Iraq ... Baghdad does not fall into chaos and anarchy."

In Damascus, Syria, the Iraqi Communist Party and another Syrian-based opposition group led by a former member of Saddam's Baath Party accused Britain of interfering.

Fadel Ansari, once a senior Baath official who now leads a splinter pro-Syrian group in Damascus, said foreign intervention "strengthens the regime and does not weaken it."

London is a main center for Iraqi exile and opposition groups.

At various times, the dissidents have succeeded in bringing together Shiite Muslim groups, former ruling party officials and Kurdish guerrillas who sought autonomy in northern Iraq.

Opposition groups say they are a key source of information about Saddam and critical to any rebellion.

One London-based group, The Iraqi National Accord, said this week that it has provided British authorities with a detailed list of Saddam's international spy network.

The document, compiled by Saddam's private secretary, named all the members of Iraqi intelligence service who pose as diplomats and was released to the West even before it was on Saddam's desk, the group said in a report in London's Sunday Telegraph.

"Information like this is priceless in the battle to end Saddam's tyranny," Ayad Alawi, who heads the group, was quoted by the newspaper as saying. Alawi added that Western support also is vital.

"There is no point in the West urging Iraqis to overthrow Saddam if it is not prepared to help," he said. "The first step toward getting rid of Saddam is to persuade the Iraqi people that they have friends and supporters outside who can help them succeed."

U.S. tourist bus attacked in Iran

Associated Press

TEHRAN, Iran — Assailants shouting anti-American slogans used stones and iron rods to attack a bus carrying U.S. tourists, a newspaper reported Monday.

The attack occurred Saturday morning as the group arrived at the Esteglal Hotel in northern Tehran, the Iran News reported.

It was believed to have been triggered by reports in hard-line newspapers accusing the visiting Americans of being U.S. officials and members of the CIA posing as tourists.

Men stopped the bus and broke all its windows before the driver sped off to another hotel and called police, the paper said.

Police escorted the 13 tourists to their hotel, the Iran News said. Other accounts said some of the Americans suffered minor injuries and cuts from flying glass.

A radical Muslim group claimed responsibility for the attack and gave a slightly different account. It said its members threw stones at the tourists and injured some as they got off the bus to enter the hotel, the al-Hayat newspaper reported.

The London-based Arabic daily said its office in Tehran received an anonymous phone call from someone speaking on behalf of the Fedayeen Islam, or Volunteers for Martyrdom for Islam, claiming it carried out the attack.

"This is a lesson and a warning to those spies," the paper quoted the caller as saying.

The Fedayeen Islam also claimed responsibility today in Tehran.

"This was an operation against U.S. spies and a warning to the officials who invited them," its statement said, apparently referring to moderate President Mohammad Khatami's call for cultural exchanges between Americans and Iranians.

An Iranian newspaper Monday condemned the attack, saying it went against Iran's tradition of hospitality.

"Doesn't the attack on the bus carrying the group of tourists visiting Iran, the land of hospitable people, damage our Islamic and Iranian reputation?" the Etelaat evening paper asked. "It gives the impression that our country is not a safe place and no more tourists will dare come to Iran."

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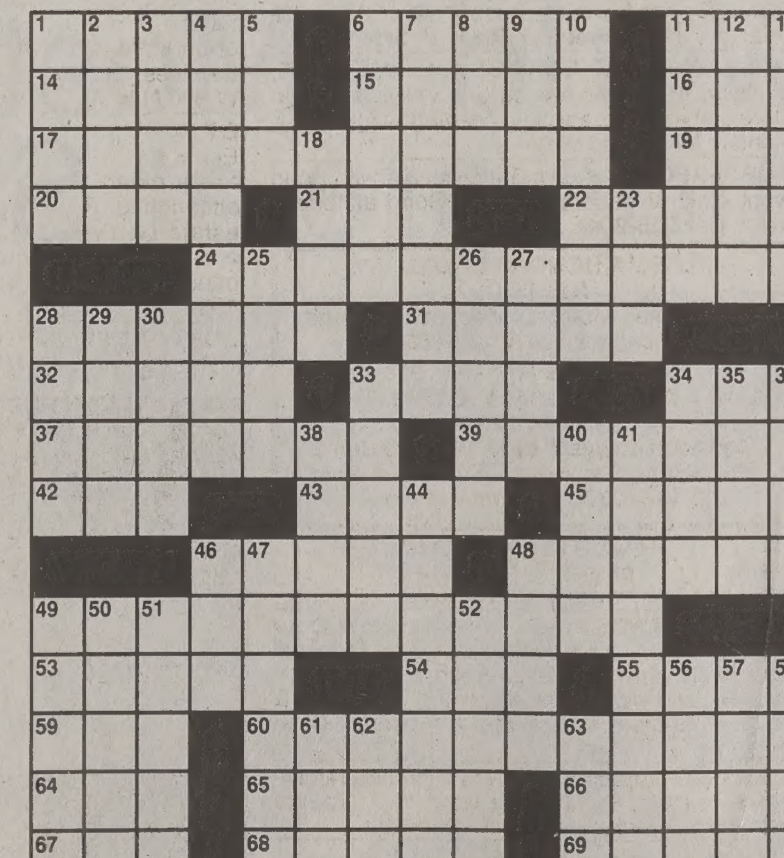

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Iraq accuses U.N. inspector

Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq —Iraq accused the chief U.N. weapons inspector Monday of fabricating a new crisis over its weapons programs. Meanwhile, Iraqi television reported that a powerful official had escaped an assassination attempt.

Deputy Foreign Minister Riyadh al-Qaisi said Richard Butler's request for weapons-related documents takes Iraq back to "square one" in its effort to end crippling sanctions imposed by the U.N. Security Council after Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990.

"Why is it that now Mr. Butler is requesting all over again the same requests that were made in the past?" al-Qaisi asked.

"All we have, we gave. All we don't have, we stated we don't have," he told a news conference.

Butler asked last week for documents on Iraq's arms program and information on its biological weapons program — the field U.N. inspectors say they have the most questions about. Iraq has balked at the request, calling it an attempt to reignite a crisis.

"What do we see? No light at the end of the tunnel. What we see is the light of a locomotive coming head on at Iraq," al-Qaisi said.

His comments were the latest in a dispute that has raised again the specter of an attack on Iraq, days after Iraq narrowly averted airstrikes by allowing U.N. weapons experts to resume their inspections.

Iraqi TV said Monday that assailants had lobbed two grenades at Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's deputy as he got out of his car to attend a religious festival Sunday in southern Iraq.

Izzat Ibrahim, Saddam's deputy on the powerful Revolutionary Command Council, escaped the attack without injury, Iraqi TV reported. Several bodyguards and bystanders were wounded, it said.

In Washington, Defense Secretary William Cohen said that the United States could still attack Iraq if it did not fully cooperate with the inspectors.

There are about 24,000 U.S. troops, about 210 aircraft and one aircraft carrier still in the Persian Gulf region.

Iraq reversed its two-week ban on the work of U.N. inspectors on Nov. 14 when faced with imminent airstrikes by U.S. and British forces.

The inspectors returned last week and, with the cooperation of the Iraqi government, they have since made daily visits to sites that could be used to build weapons of mass destruction.

Inspectors must certify that Iraq has eliminated its nuclear, chemical and biological weapons, long-range missiles and the programs to build them before the Security Council can lift the sanctions, which have caused widespread malnutrition, hunger and poverty in the once-prosperous Arab country.

Al-Qaisi insisted that since inspections began in 1991, Iraq has provided all the documents inspectors need. Others that Butler requested were destroyed or irrelevant, he said.

The inspectors repeatedly have accused Iraq of trying to mislead weapons teams. They checked nine sites Monday, including a surprise visit to a cigarette and tobacco company in Baghdad that is not under long-term surveillance, the Iraqi News Agency reported.

Earlier Monday, U.N. envoy Prakash Shah returned to Baghdad, saying only that he would hold talks with Iraqi officials.

In London, Iraqi opposition groups gathered at the invitation of the British government. The groups planned to meet here today with U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Martin Indyk, who held talks last week with Ahmed Chalabi, the head of Iraqi National Congress, an opposition umbrella group.

Britain's ambassador to the United Nations, Jeremy Greenstock, said Iraq was not fulfilling its promises.

"What this boils down to is less than full compliance, which is what they promised eight days ago," Greenstock said.

Iraq's official media continued to focus on the dispute with Butler. Al-Thawra, the newspaper of the ruling party, said Butler viewed Iraq's decision to resume inspections "as a personal victory, which he believes will enable him to take revenge."

U.S. edge in school declining

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As more and more students graduate from high school in other industrialized nations, the United States seems to be running in place.

In its annual study of international education statistics, the Paris-based Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development found that over the past six years, 11 countries have overtaken the United States in high school graduation rates.

"The U.S. has lost its supremacy as the premier educator," said Andreas Schleicher, principal administrator of the OECD. He said this has occurred "not because the United States is doing worse, but because there are so many countries who have become better."

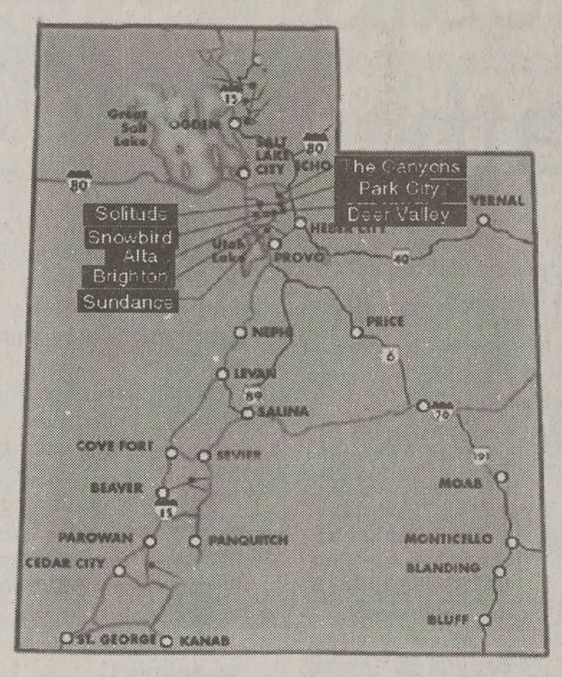
The report found that American eighth-graders continue to lag behind their counterparts in many industrialized countries when it comes to mathematics achievement.

Poor math skills among American children seem to develop over time: The report found that between fourth and eighth grades, math test scores for American students get progressively lower compared with other countries. By eighth grade, the lowest-scoring quarter of Japanese and Korean eighth-graders still score above the average American eighth-grader in math.

The report found that the United States still has the second highest college graduation rate — 35 percent of Americans finish college at the typical age.

The United States also remains one of the highest spenders on public education — 5 percent of the nation's gross income in 1995.

The Greatest Snow on Earth



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Student skiiers get discounts

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Many local ski resorts offer discounts to students and local residents.

Park City offers full-time college students a discount on season passes when they present a transcript verifying full-time status. A full season pass is discounted to $649, and a mid-week season pass, good Monday through Friday, is $449.

Local skiers can get a discount at Deer Valley if they purchase coupons before Nov. 30. The local coupons come in books of five or ten. A regular book of five coupons is $195. Books of five can also be purchased for weekdays only for $155. Books of 10 are $360 and are good every day. Children can get books of five ski coupons for $90.

Solitude Ski Resort offers an "Eagle Club" card that can be purchased for $20. When tickets are charged on the card, they are discounted to $28 or $29, depending on the day, instead of the regular $36.

Skiers can pick up discounted tickets for Snowbird for $41 instead of $49 at Smiths and Gart Sports stores. Two children under the age of 12 can ski free with every adult purchasing a full-day pass.

Children 10 and under ski free at Brighton. Brighton also offers discounted tickets at Gart Sports, Sports Den in Salt Lake City, Harmons Grocery and Canyon Sports. Group discounts are offered for parties of 25 or more.

Utah residents and students can buy regular tickets to Sundance for the price of a half-day ticket, $29. Outdoors Unlimited at BYU also sell discounted tickets for $24 good Monday through Friday. Discounted vouchers are available at the Sundance ticket office until Nov. 30. Vouchers are sold in books of 10 for $220.

Thanksgiving weekend offers a skiier's paradise

Let it snow!

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This long weekend offers a lot more to do than just eat turkey. Thanksgiving is anticipated by skiiers and snowboarders alike as the beginning of the new season. After all, Utah is known for having the "greatest snow on earth."

Park City

Park City Ski Resort is the second largest ski resort in Utah, with four high speed six passenger quads, one high speed quad, three triple passenger lifts and four double occupancy lifts. The resort has 97 runs and 3,000 skiable acres.

Visitors to the resort may run into olympic skiier Picaboo Street, who has recently been named Park City's director of skiing, said Sandy Hoggard, Sports Desk employee.

Cost: Full-day $53, Half-day $38
Opening date: already open
Number of lifts: 14
Snowboarding: yes

Deer Valley

Deer Valley Resort will host their annual Celebrity Ski Classic on Dec. 12. Celebrities from NYPD Blue, Melrose Place and other television shows will compete against each other, said Christa Thompson, Deer Valley Communications Manager.

While the resort has the capacity to serve over 34,000 skiiers, tickets are only sold to the first 4,500, Thompson said. The resort has added four new lifts and 16 runs this year.

Cost: Full-day $57, Half-day $40
Opening date: Dec. 5
Number of lifts: 18
Snowboarding: no

Solitude

Solitude Ski Resort welcomes snowboarders to experience their natural terrain and 2,000 vertical drop. The resort has approximately 2,000 skiable acres.

Cost: Full-day $36, Half-day $30
Opening date: already open
Number of Lifts: 6
Snowboarding: yes

Snowbird

Snowbird Ski Resort is home to the tram that can take 125 passengers up the mountain in less than 10 minutes. Snowbird will host Winterfest, a food festival that takes place Dec. 3-6 and features guest chefs, live jazz music and an open fire on the slopes, said Amber Borowski of Snowbird communications department. The first day of the event will include a moonlight dinner and benefit.

Cost: Full-day with tram $49, Full-day chairs only $39, Half-day with tram $41, Half-day chairs only $32
Opening date: already open
Number of Lifts: 9 including tram
Snowboarding: yes

Alta

Alta Ski Resort is one of the few resorts that still prohibits snowboarding, something that many skiers may applaud. The resort offers ski lessons for all ages and abilities.

Cost: Full-day $31, Half-day $23
Opening date: already open
Number of lifts: 8
Snowboarding: no

Brighton

Brighton Ski Resort offers night skiing and several ski and snowboarding lesson programs. They also offer a unique carpool incentive, said Jason Greenwood, an administrative assistant. F... five or more passengers, Bri... $1 off the price of each tic... should notify parking at... receive vouchers.

Cost: Full-day $33, Half-day... ride $8, Twilight ticket (1... $31, Superticket (9 a.m. - 9 p...
Opening date: already open...
Number of Lifts: 7
Snowboarding: yes

Sundance

Sundance Resort, owned... Redford, shows one of Redfo... every Saturday night at 7 in... ing room free of charge.

Cost: Full-day $37, Half-day...
Opening date: Dec. 11
Number of Lifts: 3
Snowboarding: yes

The Canyons

The Canyons is offering re... prices of $29 for full-day ... half-day while the majority ... is closed. Prices are expect... after Dec. 13.

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Opening date: already open...
Number of Lifts: 11
Snowboarding: yes

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Europe puts beef back on the market

Associated Press

BRUSSELS, Belgium — The European Union voted Monday to lift a worldwide export ban on most British beef, a milestone in the "mad cow" dispute that has pitted Britain against its European allies for nearly three years.

"The beef ban is lifted," said British Farm Minister Nick Brown. "The beef is safe to eat."

Ten of the 15 European Union agricultural ministers meeting here voted to end the ban on deboned beef, with Germany the lone holdout. France, Spain, Austria and Luxembourg abstained.

British beef exports were barred in March 1996 after Britain announced a possible link between "mad cow" disease in British cattle and a fatal brain ailment in humans called Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease.

The ban has cost the industry in Britain more than $3.3 billion and undermined confidence in beef throughout Europe.

The move to ease the ban was boosted early this month when eight out of 15 veterinary experts endorsed the plan to resume exports.

"The question now is how to get back on the world markets," said Brown, predicting an uphill struggle to restore the reputation of British beef.

Monday's decision "will tend to boost the confidence of the British consumer and presumably other consumers throughout the EU and our beef trade and our beef producers will get back to normal," Dr. John Mann, superintendent of Britain's largest meat market, Smithfields, said in London.

The EU's executive Commission now will send inspectors to Britain for a final examination of safety standards, opening the way for exports to begin early next year. No more ministerial-level votes on the issue are required.

Monday's decision will be immediately followed by a campaign to put British beef back on the plates of consumers throughout the 15-nation EU.

"It will still be some months before the first shipments of beef actually resume and there is much work to be done to re-establish markets," said Ben Gill, president of Britain's National Farmers Union.

Brown downplayed the continued German opposition.

"Germany was not opposed to lifting the beef ban. It was opposed to lifting it now," said Brown.

The Labor government lauded the cooperation from its EU partners. "I have no quarrel how other people approached the issue," Brown said. "I got a fair hearing from each of the other 14."

After the 1996 ban, the previous Conservative government of Prime Minister John Major instigated a policy of non-cooperation with its partners that effectively paralyzed the EU for months.

Relations improved after Tony Blair became prime minister in May 1997. EU farm ministers approved a resumption of beef exports from Northern Ireland in March.

Britain exported some 270,000 tons of beef, totaling some $1 billion, in 1995.

Philip Morris ups prices on cigarettes

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Philip Morris USA, the nation's biggest tobacco company, raised wholesale prices of Marlboros and its other cigarette brands by a record 45 cents per pack Monday, the day the industry sealed a mammoth legal settlement with the states.

R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. had an identical increase and others were expected to follow suit on what one analyst called the biggest U.S. cigarette price hike ever.

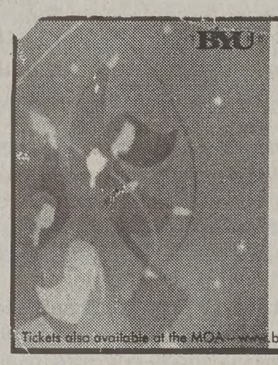
Analysts had widely predicted a price increase of 35 to 40 cents per pack to pay for the $206 billion tobacco settlement to resolve states' claims for reimbursement for providing health care to sick smokers.

David Adelman, tobacco analyst for Morgan Stanley Dean Witter, said smokers may be stuck with an even bigger price increase of about 50 cents a pack as distributors and retailers add a nickel to the wholesale price hike.

He estimated the national average price of cigarettes would rise to $2.45 a pack from the current $1.95, an increase of 25.6 percent.

"This is the biggest tobacco price increase in dollar terms in the history of the United States," he said.

He said the price increase more than offsets the decrease a few years ago on what came to be called "Marlboro Friday," when Philip Morris successfully slashed prices by about 40 cents a pack in order to increase its market share.



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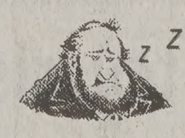

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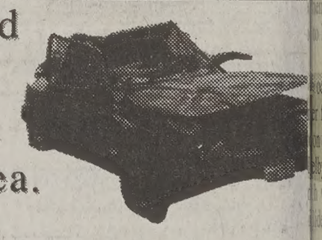

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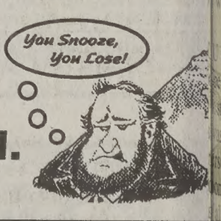

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Gas prices low, oil companies struggle

Associated Press

DENVER — As world leaders cross swords over oil supplies and consumers gleefully buy cheap gas, independent producers in the Rocky Mountains are struggling.

Companies are laying off workers, selling property and eliminating unnecessary expenses. Many believe the situation mirrors a 1980s oil bust that battered the region.."

Marc Smith of the Independent Petroleum Association of Mountain States said: "We have seen a real hit. We've seen third- and fourth-generation oilmen having to get out of the business."

The boom-bust roller coaster is nothing new for oil producers from Montana to New Mexico, where 80 percent of the production is generated by small, independent companies, which typically have no more than two dozen workers.

Earlier this year, the oil cycle spiraled down amid an increase in the world's oil supplies and the Asian economic crisis.

OPEC ministers are meeting in Vienna this week to seek ways to improve prices. Analysts say their biggest problem is a diminished worldwide demand.

According to Energy Department forecasts, oil prices will remain depressed into the next decade.

Earlier this month, the nationwide average price of regular-grade gasoline fell below $1 a gallon for the first time since January 1994. The lower prices, blamed on depressed oil prices, are expected to linger into next year.

The downturn has hurt oil companies nationwide. Four of the major oil companies are laying off workers and cutting capital investments in wake of steep declines in third-quarter earnings.

In the Rockies, many small companies are pulling out of exploration and production and several mid- to large-sized companies are selling properties, said Smith, the association's land and environment director.

Amoco Corp. last week announced plans to eliminate 380 jobs in Denver as part of a consolidation. Those employees will be offered transfers or severance packages.

Texaco employees in Denver are bracing for similar news after the company announced plans to cut 1,000 jobs in exploration and production.

In Wyoming, the number of producing oil wells dropped to 9,536 in August from 10,270 at the end of 1997. Don Likwartz of the state Oil and Gas Commission staff said he has not heard of any companies that have closed, but predicted some would if prices did not improve.

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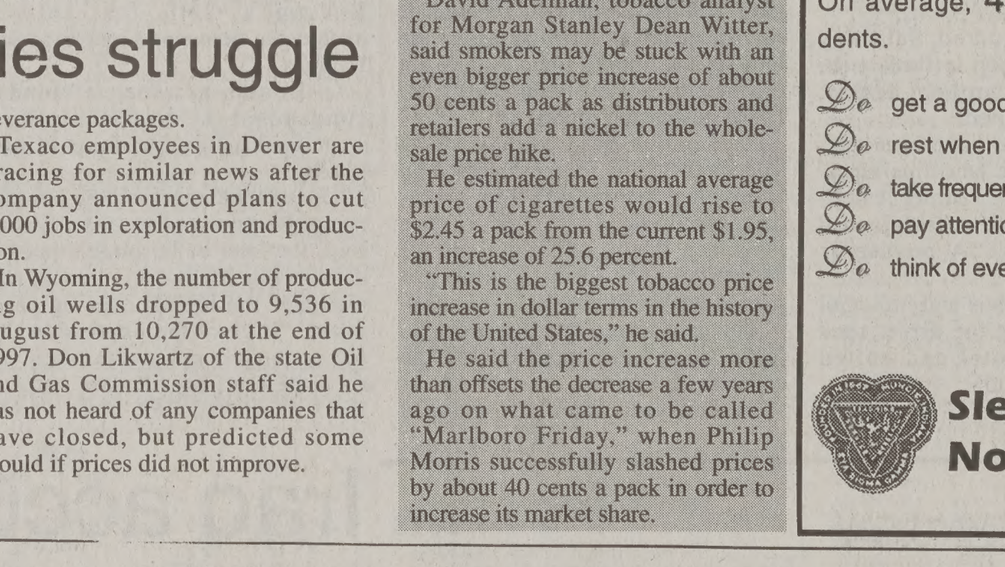

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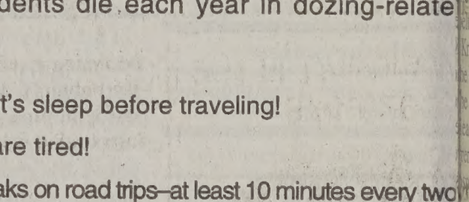

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